

*We're  
Cruisin'  
Through*



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the 1990s, the number of people with a mental health problem has increased by 50% (Mental Health Foundation 2000).

There is a growing awareness of the need to address the needs of people with mental health problems, and the importance of providing them with appropriate services. However, there is a significant gap between the current provision of services and the needs of the population. This gap is due to a number of factors, including a lack of resources, a lack of training for health professionals, and a lack of awareness of the needs of people with mental health problems. This paper discusses the current provision of services for people with mental health problems, and the factors that contribute to the gap between current provision and the needs of the population.

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# We're Cruisin'



CRUISE (krooz) vi. to sail or drive about from place to place, as for pleasure or in search of something

"Cruisin' Through" the 1987-88 school year, LHS students had many pleasurable experiences to tell about, but they also found what they were in search of—talents, creativity, and the ability to face challenges presented to them.

Fearless at the sight of a needle, students breezed through the annual blood drive, drawing 138 pints of blood—a number which surpassed the goal set by Student Council as well as the Red Cross.

Early in the fall, students were given a chance to show off not only their school, but also their country to a group of 13 exchange students from Costa Rica. They expected to spend a memorable three weeks here, and they were not disappointed.

"The students were shy at first, but after a while, they warmed up. They didn't want to go home because they felt so welcome here," said senior Erin McCracken.

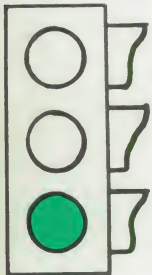
Even in the face of disaster, students pulled through. The school experienced another fire this year; this time it was set by a student in the freshman locker bay. Reluctantly, students helped the administrators "clue in" as to who was involved, and many expressed disappointment at the decision to keep school in session for the remainder of the day.

"Everyone thought it was great because they thought that we were going to get to go home, and they were upset when they didn't get to," said junior Scott Eaker.

The Devils were virtually unconquerable in the athletic department, and several teams finished with better season records. The Boys' Varsity Basketball Team did a completely successful turn-around, improving from a 4-19 record last year to a 19-4 record this year. The Girls' Varsity Basketball Team put themselves in the history books, finishing with the best season ever recorded at Lowell. Many other teams sent individuals to the Regional and State competitions, and these people represented us well.

"Cruisin' Through" this past school year, students had many chances to show off their talents and abilities. Pride was an attitude back in circulation and the air was thick with intense school spirit.

Senior Wendy Hitzeman said it best: "Of the four years I've been here, I think this is the most successful year we've had!"





One of the entries in the Homecoming Wagon Parade carries out the theme of "Cruise! 'Til you're home" this year.

# *Excessive*

# Noise

# *Prohibited*

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f Lowell High School had its own personal pocket dictionary, the word "monotony" would not even be in it.

Instead, definitions for "creativity" would overflow the pages, since students were always risking a chance to be different in the activities they chose to sponsor.

The student body seemed to "wake up" this year, and almost everyone involved himself in activities that interested him.

While there was the usual schedule of dances, both formal and informal, there were also new events to entertain all tastes.

For the athletically minded, there were pep sessions and exciting games and meets. Attendance at athletic events soared to new heights this year, thanks to the promotion given by pep sessions and the community.

The junior class turned a routine school day into an interesting seven hours with the first-ever Slave Day. Students participating as slaves were seen doing everything from singing "Happy Birthday" to hopping on one foot while balancing a lunch tray with one hand. Creativity, cooperation and enthusiasm marked this event.

"The Slave Sale was different for a change," said junior Tina Derr. "It was a very creative idea."

Also different was the selection done for the Fall Play. Instead of the usual drama, thespians acted out a comedy, *FATHER OF THE BRIDE*, for the start of their season.

Regardless of the activity students chose to participate in, students seemed to "cruise through" the year, finding ways to empty the school days of boredom and fill them with innovative ideas.

Student Council president, Vicki Hall, best summed up student life this year when she said, "There was a lot more chance to be active this year and the attitudes were also better."





The freshman/sophomore hallway is the place for extra-curricular activities, passing classes or just meeting with friends. For these girls, hallway classes it was part of their school life.

# 22 girls

## celebrate 25 years of Junior Miss programs

Anticipation, excitement and hope was shown by 22 girls for the 25th silver anniversary of the Junior Miss program on September 19. Senior Lee Ann Parks was crowned winner after performing the skit, "I judged a man today."

First runner-up was Melissa Scheidt. Other awards went to Jennifer Rogers for Poise and Appearance; Laura Tishey for the Judges' Interview; Candace Quale for Creative Talent; Nadine Brindley for Scholastic Achievement; Beth McCarthy for Youth Fitness; and Jenny Mathias for the Spirit of Junior Miss.

The girls never showed fatigue during the strenuous routines in the physical fitness program which was choreographed by Karen Schupp.

Laurie Ryder explained, "Once you get used to the long practices, you were not tired anymore."

Each of the contestants had the opportunity to display her poise in their gowns and to demonstrate their talents in the talent portion of the program. There were songs, dramatic readings and musical performances to impress the judges.

In February, Parks won the Poise and Appearance award in State Junior Miss competition.

Kerry Thompson



### Go With the Flow

The girls gracefully glide in a rhythmic form to show off their elegant gowns.



#### Reach for the Sky

During the Physical Fitness routine, all the girls "reached" for strength and endurance.



#### Show It Off!

Expressing the meaning of the song is also Tracy Parriah's talent while singing "Second Hand Rose."

#### Dolly?

No, it's not Dolly; it's Gina Steward who chose to sing "Here You Come Again" by Dolly Parton.

#### Anticipation is a Killer

Tension rises as first runner-up Laura Tiahey awaits the announcement of the new Junior Miss, Lee Ann Parks.



# Sounds

*needed to be recorded  
from this Homecoming*

**G**runts, groans, . . . and squeals. Those were the sounds to be remembered from Homecoming '88.

The squeals? All part of the Student Council fundraising plan, the "KISS THE PIG CONTEST." Students raised over \$40 for their "favorite" teacher, Mrs. Riggie at the pre-game pep session. Mr. Barlowe came in a far second, earning \$12.

Upon winning Mrs. Riggie said, "There were far more deserving people than I."

Apparently she was wrong. "The sight of the pig unnerved me a little; the smell unnerved me a lot!" she said, after admitting that she was a bit apprehensive when her name was announced.

Other new attention getters

such as a cake-eating contest, won by senior Rich Heilman, and a decorated wagon contest, expressed the spirit and craziness of the student body.

The sophomore class won the Wagon Contest, a parody of the expensive floats of the past, by decorating their wagon like a car. The "car" was driven by Devil Mark Barnhart and Indian Julie Wagner. The traditional homecoming window was won by the class of '89, although the senior class won the Spirit Stick.

It was definitely not the average week at LHS. A week of changes brought spirit and victory to the halls of LHS and one of the most memorable Homecoming weeks in years!

*Sarah Langmaid*



**On The Road To Victory!**

The junior class extends their school spirit to the downtown store windows.

**U-G-G-G-H!**

Mrs. Riggie goes to great lengths to prove her love for L.H.S. during the KISS THE PIG CONTEST.







**It Doesn't Get Much Better!**  
Showing their better side, Scott Stegenga and Tony Curtis represent the junior class in the Wagon Contest.

**VICTORY!**  
Students express their approval of Homecoming Week at the pre-game pep session.



**Hot Stuff!**  
Students get warmed up for a night of fun at the pre-game pep session.



**Check It Out!**  
Having a busy night, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Wornhoff check dance passes.

**What a Night!**  
Seniors Rusty Merrills and Jeff Buasaelberg catch the spirit as Homecoming Queen and King.



# Groans

*came from badly beaten Warriors in an all-out win*

The grunts and groans came from a dominating Red Devil team who took their spirit onto the field to massacre the defenseless Calumet Warriors, 35-7. Junior Jim Langen scored four touchdowns to help lead the team to one of the two wins of the year, a positive influence for next year.

"I feel that our team has the potential to have a winning season if everyone dedicates himself to doing the best job possible," said a victorious Mike Morgan.

During halftime, the excitement grew as seniors Rusty Merrills and Jeff Busselberg were crowned Homecoming Queen and King. Members of the court were seniors Dave Richardson and Sandi Woodke; Sue Billard

and Greg Faverty; juniors Wendy Furstenberg and Jim Langen; Alyssa Laumeyer and Matt Felder; sophomores Bob Rouse and Donna Ojeda; and freshmen Valerie Cole and Jeff Cunningham.

The grunts, groans, and squeals turned to tired cheers after a long week of doing what students do best during Spirit Week—have fun!

Sarah Langmaid



#### Kill!

Taking the saying, "No pain, no gain," literally, junior Jim Langen heads for his opponent.

#### On the Beat!

The band marches to the beat of victory at the Homecoming Game.

# Scared stiff

*by cans and dwarfs is  
all part of this night*

The night was cool, dark and eerie but it didn't scare LHS students from attending the third annual Devils' Halloween Dance sponsored by the National Honor Society.

Attending the dance were everything from Coke cans to a washing machine. Special dancing entertainment was provided by Doug Grzych, Kendall Garrison, Dan Lapina, Joe Valles, Rich Hellman and Joe Goss who "dared to bare" almost all!

If you didn't want to dance, you could "feast" your eyes upon the VCR which was playing scary movies through the night or you could have your fortune told by Mr. Milakovic the Swami Indian.

"The highlight of my evening was

someone I was telling a fortune to turned around and told me my fortune. She said it had something to do with a 5'7" brunette with green eyes," confessed Mr. Milakovic.

A costume contest and a pumpkin carving contest filled the night with excitement. Costume winners received special treats which included certificates of \$10.00.

Some of the creative ideas such as Grumpy and Dopey from the Seven Dwarfs and Freddy Kruger from *Nightmare on Elm Street* won prizes on this spooky night.

As the clock struck eleven, the witches' chamber soon changed back into the Devils' Commons and the masquerading goblins were students once again.

Erika Seydel



**What A Night!**

The crowd goes crazy when they spot the camera.





#### What About Me?

During a break from dancing, senior Laurie Ryder wouldn't be caught dead with a "rhine" like Laura Telarek.



#### Uniquely Genuine

As chaperones for the night, Mr. and Mrs. Milia dressed in authentic French costumes.

#### Oh-h-h-h!

In the Pumpkin Carving Contest, Jamie Vaeko shows there is more to a pumpkin than the outside.



#### Isn't She Cute?

Knowing it's past her bedtime, "baby," Erin McCracken smiles fiendishly. Don't tell her mom!



# Marriage

*It almost didn't happen  
in this '50s comedy*

On November 13 at 8:00 P.M., the wedding plans were finalized and the ceremony began. **FATHER OF THE BRIDE** took off in front of an audience of invited guests full of anticipation and laughter. In the story, the Banks family struggles with their eldest daughter's upcoming wedding.

The '50s comedy, authentic down to the wingtips, portrayed a true sense of the age. The audience witnessed the "corniness," home life, and woman's role and marriage customs of 30 years ago.

"Although I do not agree with

many of the values and ideals of the time, I feel it is important for the audience to walk away recognizing how times have changed," stated Mrs. Ciochina, theater director.

Five weeks of hard work and hectic fun certainly paid off. Since each of the characters were distinct and different from the rest, the cast seemed to enjoy their performances and made the most of each appearance. Everything from the obvious down to the little touches showed us a truly delightful comedy, adding to Lowell's mark of excellence in theater performances.

Melinda Wortinger



#### Breakfast Chat

Over breakfast, the Banks family discusses the ups and downs of Kay's (Alyssa Laumeier) love life.



**"Leave everything to me."**

The eccentric Massoula (Maurissa Afanador) informs an irate Mr. Banks (Jeff Wein) of the afternoon's arrangements.



**"Ben, I wish it were us."**

Admiring the wedding presents, Peggy (Melissa Scheidt) asks Ben (Shane Walker) when it will be their turn to be married.



**"Wake up, Pops!"**

Readying to leave for Buckley's home, the family discovers Mr. Banks passed out from shock.

**Congratulations!**

Smiling, Buckley (Kyle Weaver) accepts a final confirmation of Kay's hand in marriage.

## LHS opened its doors to another world and got much in return for the favor

Thirteen Costa Rican exchange students arrived on October 13 for a short stay of two weeks and participated in our daily routine.

Many of the students thought our school to be very different, not only in shape, but also in routine.

"I think it's weird that you have five days with the same classes every day," said Giovanni, one of the exchange students.

In Costa Rica, classes are not repeated daily. They have a total of 12 different classes a week.

Shopping in the Mall was a big hit, especially with the huge variety of fast food places. Most of the food eaten in Costa Rica is beans, rice, corn and tortillas. They especially liked our American favorites of pizza and French fries.

All of our Costa Rican friends enjoyed being made a part of our lives, appreciated our hospitality, and they hoped to keep in touch. Sergio hopes to live here someday and others intend to make return visits.

*Lynne Mates*



### Say Cheese

Journalism students and the Costa Rican students gather for a group shot. Many of the students were enrolled in the class during their stay.

### ¿Qué?

Communicating can be difficult as Roxanna finds help among her friends in class.

### Heads Up!

Caught by surprise, Hernandez enjoys himself at the Student Council pizza party.







#### Taking a Look

Friends look on as Linberg flips through pictures he had taken while staying in Lowell.



#### Saying Goodbye

At a combined Merit and Journalism farewell party for our exchange students, Lindberg and Paula remember fun times at Lowell.



**This Job is a Pleasure**  
Finding their tasks as chaperones to be an enjoyable one, Mr. and Mrs. McQuiston survey the dance floor during the evening.



**Slow Dancing**  
Soft music and a holiday setting set the tone for Dave DeEspinoza and his partner, Stacy Jones.

**Catch Your Breath**  
While the DJ's took a break, Amy Ripley, Jason Miller, Eric Kuiper and Julie Feddefer take their own break from dancing.



# Rain, snow,

*Typical winter weather  
didn't set the tone*

**D**espite the rain, couples arrived the night of December 19, ready to enjoy an evening of entertainment and mistletoe.

"The dance was great, but I didn't really appreciate having to run into the dance," said Kristen Sturgill.

Shorter dresses and flashy colors replaced long formals. Also, tuxes were worn instead of the usual dress pants and sport jackets.

Another change this year was the fact that so many couples went out for dinner either before or after the dance. Restaurants like Tiebel's and Versailles were popular.

"We waited and then went to Red Lobster afterwards," said Trena Depel.

The dance was sponsored by the sophomore class. Music was provided by Frank Erfurth and Carl Jiminez of EJ's DJ Service. Pictures were taken by Giolas, but most couples also brought their own cameras to record personal moments in the evening.

Sophomore Daphne Ortiz commented that the best thing she liked about the dance was "getting on the dance floor finally and dancing."

Kerry Thompson



#### Three's Not a Crowd

While their escorts take a break, the girls enjoy a solo fast dance together.

#### Getting Ready

Setting up before the dance, the DJ's, with the help of LHS students, check over the equipment.

# The past

*An era of silent movies  
stirs new feelings in us*

Lowell's Spring Musical has always been a lavish production with flashy costumes and big production numbers. But this year the event was a more low-key tribute to an era most of us are totally unfamiliar with.

Set in the time between the Civil War and the Roaring Twenties, TINTYPES provided a glimpse of an era when our ancestors lived. Not only was the setting different, but there were also many other exceptions which made the production fall short of its usual impact on the audience.

Theatre director, Mrs. Ciochina,

on maternity leave, was replaced by Mr. Sufana, who directed TINTYPES with great attention to detail, down to costumes and the look of a silent film.

Changes were also made in the musical direction with band director Mr. Stout taking over as orchestra leader.

Changes in the production brought mixed reactions from the audience and not all seats were sold.

Change can be refreshing. It keeps Lowell audiences on their toes, never knowing what to expect next in the Little Theater.



#### Long, Long Ago

Explaining the ancestry of his family, Mr. Tom Sufana, director, relates his personal experience to the theme of the play while the cast and crew listen attentively.



#### Actions Speak Louder

During the silent movie portion of TINTYPES, Charlie (Tim Goldman) pantomimes a Sunday afternoon ride.



#### Don't Blink

Requiring full cooperation, Mindy Mader applies Anna Held's (Shelll Funston) stage make-up.

#### Heart and Soul

Expressing the meaning of the song, "Nobody", Susana (Tracy Parrish) gives it her all.

#### Charge!

Leading a battalion of courageous soldiers, T.R. (Jeff Wein) and ensemble prepare for battle.



#### Gettin' Hitched

Performing yet another ceremony, the preacher (Joe Schara) pronounces Lynn Grant and Steve Taylor man and wife.



**Rock 'n Roll!**  
Behind the DJ stand, Steve Metz and Kyle Weaver choose various selections for the evening's entertainment.



# Customs end —

*It was a hot time  
in the "new" way*

Tradition definitely did not reign this year at the annual Sadie Hawkins Dance.

Couples in flashy T-shirts danced to the new-wave music provided by Kyle Weaver and Steve Metz. In past years, couples wore flannel shirts and danced to soft rock and country music. Strobe lights were replaced with an optokinetic projector as the main lighting in the Multi-Purpose Room. Projecting a large array of colors against the back wall of the room, it added to the mood of the lively crowd.

Getting "hitched" had a style all its own as "Preacher" Joe Schara

conducted the ceremonies.

Schara commented, "I don't know why they picked me; they just did."

Traditionally a teacher has been volunteered for the job.

Toward the end of the evening, chaperones, as well as students joined in some old-fashioned fun dancing to songs like "The Wanderer" by Dion, a favorite of Dr. Luekens.

From the dance, couples went on to various restaurants to continue tradition — eating and having fun.

*Erin McCracken*



#### Relaxing

Sitting out a dance, couples Jim Majadack and Ericka Burt, Christine Smith and Brian Castle take time to become closer.

#### Dying of Thirst

After a long night of dancing, the "Sadies" cool off with some refreshments provided by the Junior Class.



# Magic, fun

*A superstitious day  
only adds to Prom*

The car pulls up; a handsome valet opens the door for you. You gracefully step out. The keys are exchanged and your date meets you at the beginning of the carpeted entryway and you both walk to the big glass doors which lead you into "another world", otherwise known as "Prom".

You couldn't have asked for a more beautiful day. The sun was shining and the breeze was mild. You would never have guessed it was Friday the 13th. Dinner was served at 6:30 and the dancing at 8:00 featured music by PAWNZ.

The Innsbrook Country Club was

decorated elegantly with an ice sculpture and floral arrangements. The crowd was full of enthusiasm when they heard who would reign as King and Queen of Prom '88 — Dave Richardson and Sandi Woodke were happy too!

"I had a lot of fun, it was a really nice place. I can't wait 'till next year's Prom", said Jody Carlson.

Having this traditional event on a Friday night was a first, and even with the hustle and bustle of the day, most people enjoyed the enchantment of the night.

*Erika Seydel*



#### Doesn't This Look Good?

Through a special deal the Junior Class provided the guests, such as Lee Ann Parks and her date, with an enjoyable meal.





#### Here's a Toast!

Waiting for the night's festivities to begin, Rob Berg and Alyssa Lau-meyer give a smile for the camera.



#### Now Entering ...

Announcing the arrival of the guests, Chris Walkowiak added his own style.

#### Can I Have This Dance?

Crowned King and Queen of the Prom, David Richardson and Sandi Woodke danced the traditional court dance.

#### Play It Again, Sam?

Making a great impression at last year's Prom, PAWNS was invited back for this year to provide musical entertainment.



#### Range of Emotions

Joy, surprise, sadness, relief — they all are registered on the faces of the Class of 1988 at their graduation ceremony.



#### A Feeling of Accomplishment

With pride, senior Laura Tishey walks away after receiving her diploma from Mr. John Kuruzovich, Superintendent.



# Old and new —

## *The combination marks the end of a road*

It seems unusual that a ceremony marking the end of something should also have a new look to it, but Commencement 1988 accomplished both tasks.

The event, of course, marked the end of four years of high school for over 200 seniors but it also marked a return to an older tradition giving the afternoon a new, more traditional aspect. The honor of being valedictorian, was bestowed on Nadine Brindley and Melissa Scheidt for having earned the highest grade point averages over four years. Sandi Woodke was honored as salutatorian for having earned the second highest grade point average of the graduating class. For many years, Lowell only designated an Honor Section, seniors earning a 3.5 grade point average or above for

years, and did not award the top honors.

The tradition of senior speeches, however, did remain with Nadine Brindley, Brian Moser and Melissa Scheidt being chosen to address the crowd. The topics of their speeches centered on the future now stretching before each graduate.

In addition to the student addresses, Pastor Roy Reaber of Range Line Community Presbyterian Church gave the invocation and benediction. Reverend John Wortinger of First United Methodist Church was the Baccalaureate speaker.

The Class of 1988 left behind their mark on LHS, even down to the final ceremony.



### **Congratulations**

While School Board member, Mrs. Mary Dahl and junior Maurissa Afanador distribute diplomas, Dr. Luekens congratulates each graduate.

### **A Melancholy Moment**

With looks of sadness and anticipation, Melissa Scheidt and Kara Duncan wait for their name to be called to receive their diplomas.



*Trends*

## IN? — OUT!

Trends! They are anything from clothes to slang. They always seem to be the "in" thing, but they never stay around long.

The most popular trend, and usually the quickest to go, is clothing. "In" this year were stone-washed jeans, socks over the pants, oversized shirts and fringed jackets.

Slang always gets lots of laughs. The most used terms this year were "What's up?" and "It ain't easy bein' cheezy!"

In hairstyles, boys and girls this year seemed to be letting their hair grow longer.

"I roll out of bed and throw my hair on top of my head," said senior Jenny Mathias.

While everyone seemed to be following trends, once in a while, there was someone who was just a little bit different. He seemed to set his own trend.

"I wear, speak and do what I like. If it's a trend, OK; if not, all the better," said senior exchange student Bettina Kluge.

*Jennifer Morrow*



### **Up and Away**

Combs were an easy way for Jenny Mathias to put up her hair in the morning. The result was attractive and "in".



### **On the Fringe**

A jean jacket with fringe completes the outfit for Jennifer Smith.





#### It Takes All Kinds

Name it and you could find it at LHS in terms of clothing styles. Marcy Cook, Kelly Ross and Kiley Trainor are examples of variety.

#### High Tops

The most popular look to be seen around the halls was socks over any kind of pants.



#### Washed Out But In

Seniors followed the trend of the stone-washed jean look as shown by Ryan Nestor, Vicki Fitch and Rusty Marrills.

#### Lookin' Good

No longer considered a new trend but standard dress for everyone is jeans and tennis shoes.



# Go!



## *Faces of '88*

It could be said that 1988 was a year of new faces and old names; miracles and horrors; and a bit of gossip that made everyone look towards the stars.

The year started out well for a 16-year-old redhead by the name of Tiffany who found stardom by re-making an old '60s tune. After the release of, "I Think We're Alone Now", she quickly reached fame and fortune and went on to release two more songs that smashed pop charts.

Also in the music world, there were many comebacks that proved to be successful. George Harrison, a former Beatle member, known as the "quiet one", made an incredible comeback with his album "Cloud Nine" as did Gladys Knight, formerly of Gladys Knight and the Pips and Earth, Wind, and Fire.

The death of Chicago Mayor Harold Washington from a sudden heart attack was a shock to many. Eugene Sawyer took over as acting-mayor to finish the term. It was also sad to see great legends die, such as silver screen stars Jackie Gleason and Fred Astaire.

Then there was the miracle child, Jessica McClure. She fell down a 29 ft. well and survived.

As if the White House already didn't have enough pandemonium, former Chief of Staff Donald Regan had his book published which exposed Nancy Reagan's "heavy dependency" on astrology. This led the nation to question some of the decisions that the President made. Were they his own or decisions of the stars?

Something traditional that only happens every four years came around this year, the XV Olympics. Here were the athletes who have endured the trials of hard work and determination.

These were not faces that we saw everyday but ones we had gotten to know throughout the year of '88.

*Erika Seydel*

### **A Star Is Born**

She went from shopping malls to soldout concert halls; this young redhead proved that blondes aren't the only ones who have fun. Photo by Randee St. Nicholas/MCA Records.





#### Golden Tears

After performing a brilliant race in the 500-meter speed skating, Bonnie Blair was able to be admired atop the number one platform. Photo by Ken Regan-Camera 5.

#### Fab!

George Harrison poses with former Beatle members Paul McCartney, John Lennon, and Ringo Starr.



#### Stab In the Back!

When all was well and Donald Regan still had his job, the President and First Lady had no quips about him. Official White House Photo.



#### What a Miracle!

After being down a 29 ft. well for over 48 hours, Jessica McClure was rescued and rushed to the hospital. Photo by Eric Gay.



# A Devils Warning

**T**he red and black Porsche cruises down the freshly-rain drenched street, spewing drops of water that glisten under the dim lighting of the street lamps. The dazed people on the sidewalks feel the shower of water left behind by the Porsche but they have barely enough time to catch a glimpse of the speeding machine whose tail lights gleam in a devilish smirk, waiting for its next innocent victim.

Just like the Porsche, the Red Devil teams cruised through their season, giving their defeated opponents hardly enough time to put themselves back together before they moved on to conquer again.

Everyone in Lowell was caught in the tornado of "Hoosier Hysteria", and school spirit soared to previously unseen heights. The fans were proud to back the basketball teams, all of whom finished with winning records. Both Girls' and Boys' Varsity teams fought their way to the Sectional championship games; however, their efforts, unfortunately, failed in those crucial final rounds.

"For a team with no big men who played a tough schedule and tough conference, the Boys' Basketball Team was outstanding," said Mr. Kamanaroff. "Everybody played as a team and each game someone picked up the slack."

The Varsity Football Team made Homecoming even more special by opening the night with a victory. Improvements in individual performances led to better team play, and fans began to really enjoy themselves at the games.

"They (the Football Team) were fun to watch," said senior Brian Black. "Their improvements just go to show that our school is more than just a bunch of farmers."

Wrestling sent seniors Dave Richardson and Tony Rokosz to the State competition. As with other athletes, fan support plus their dedication equaled success.

Due to the hard-working attitudes of many individuals, the Lowell Athletic Department gained new respect as a threatening competitor. Like the Porsche, they flaunted their superiority, leaving their opponents' faces frozen in an open-mouthed, covetous stare as the Devil scoreboard lights grinned in victory.

*Amanda Mitchell*

Sports







The Red Devils issued their warning to Crown Point on Bulldog turf, but they showed up anyway to suffer defeat at the hands of powerful Lowell.

# ootball

## *Quality beats quantity*

Picture a recruiting poster for the Lowell High School Football teams.

Since the team was in need of more players this year, the poster could resemble the one the Army uses, substituting one of the coaches for Uncle Sam, with "WE WANT YOU!" in bold lettering underneath.

However, the Marine technique of "We're looking for few good men" would be more suitable, as

Varsity Coach Bill Brechler said, "I'm concerned more with quality than I am with quantity."

The Varsity team finished with 2 wins and 7 losses, and despite the record, the team was a success in many ways.

"I was never pleased when we lost," said Brechler, "but I also didn't equate success with the scoreboard."

The team physically

worked to their potential, but mental intensity proved to be a weakness.

Just like the Varsity, the JV team had problems concerning the mental aspects of the game.

"The first half (of the game) we played pretty good, but the second half we usually were asleep," said Coach Brad Stewart.

Again, a lack of players hurt their team.

### **It's mine!**

At the start of the play, Rich Frederick has possession of the ball and is making yardage.

### **Got it!**

Struggling to keep the ball, Mike Brechler takes the pass from teammate Rich Frederick.

### **Kicking off!**

Looking very nervous, Daryl Alkire is getting ready for the kick off.





**JV FOOTBALL** — FRONT ROW: Mike Schmidt, Jay Bibich, Craig Mclean, Jim Carlaon, Tom Dewell, Doug Zatoraki, Matt Muha, Jason Hughes, Tom Govert, Chadd Arthur, Vernon Childress. ROW 2: Chuck Heath, Randy Ruley, Mike Jensen, Ralph Drinaki, Jack Rizzo, Edward Stuchell, Harold Titak, Troy Huseman, Shawn Sylvie, Mark Woglemuth, Scott Mills, Kevin Graham. ROW 3: Coach Renn, Scott Barnhart, Steve Connor, Kevin Weaver, Brian Vance, Mike Piatt, Brian Lonardi, Tim Garling, Dan Zander, Mike Kalviatis, Jon Wendt, Jody Herr, Jeff Cunningham, Brian Blackman, Coach Bays.



**VARSITY FOOTBALL** — FRONT ROW: Susie Cermak, Manager; Jim Purkey, Joe Schara, Jason Bruce, Chris Manning, Daryl Alkire, Mike Brechler, Mike Mclean, Phil Cataldo, Joel Clemons, Gary Veteto, Brian Graham, Rob Berg, Wendy Wilson, Manager. ROW 2: Michelle Turner, Manager; Jeff Scheiwe, Kyle Weaver, Mike Flatt, Rennie Pavich, Jim Langen, Chris Arnold, Rodney Hetch, Dave DeEspinoaa, John Gray, Mike Morgan, Robert Taylor, Shane Walker, Brad Szczerbik, Nikki Belt, Manager. ROW 3: Coach Magley, Coach Stewart, Coach Brechler, Criadn Childreas, Chris Walkowiak, Kevin Anderson, Don McCormick, Rich Frederick, Mike Miller, Matt Felder, Jeff Pickett, Keith Stevens, Mike Shoemaker, Steven Erb, Bill Markul, Ilija Dobrijeovich, Jeff Zak, Coach Stabile, Mr. Bales, Athletic Director, Coach Hess.

## Quality

"We would like a better turnout, because we definitely need more kids," said Stewart.

Finally, the Freshman Team finished with 2 wins and 5 losses.

A factor leading to many of the losses was injuries to some of the team's players.

On an optimistic note, Mike Kalvaitis said, "Playing this year was a good learning experience."

Amanda Mitchell

*Scoreboard*

Varsity

Won  
Lost

2  
7

### Huddle

With just minutes left, the Devils get together to plan out their next move.

### Try and catch me!

Running very fast, Kevin Graham gets the ball and goes for a touchdown.



### Ready and willing

The Devils and Coach Brechler want the game to start.





### Charge!

Looking pretty mean, Scott Mills gets ready to block the other team.



### We were great!

Talking to one another, Coach Bays, Coach Renn, Coach Stewart discuss the success of the last play.

## Scoreboard

### Junior Varsity

Won	1
Lost	5

### Freshman

Won	2
Lost	5

# olleyball

## *Fickle season is hard foe*

Winning came easy to the Varsity Volleyball Team; it was the losing that was hard to face. No one likes to lose, but defeat came harder than usual for the team since they were dealt fatal blows by their foes just when victory

seemed certain.

Gaining their composure to create a 14-13 season, the girls set the stage for a first round knockout of Calumet. Facing Lake Central next, the odds seemed in their favor. Although defeated earlier by Lake Cen-

tral, the scores, 4-15, 15-10, and 13-15, showed that they stood a chance. But the number four proved once again to be their undoing as they were beaten 4-15, twice.

The JV team ended their season 13-8, highlighted by





# Let's Go

A pep talk by Coach Iussig gives a boost to the Freshmen Team during a time out.



## Thumbs Up

Raising her thumbs in victory, Natalie Shedown, freshman, shows the spirit that made the season for the team.

## Airborn

Anticipating the shot, Wendy Fuerstenberg leaps high to return the ball.



**VARSITY VOLLEYBALL** — FRONT ROW: Kristine Huseman, Peggy Henig, Jamie Vesko, Wendy Fuerstenberg, Kim Skorka, Kim Henig  
BACK ROW: Coach Joy Hafer, Nina Wisch, Sharon Tate, Miki Morrow, Rusty Merrills, Terese Vitoux, Beth Seerle, Kevin Heyden, Meneger



**JV VOLLEYBALL TEAM** — FRONT ROW: Trishe Reusze, Cethy Lindehl, Lori Zender, Daphne Ortiz, Kerri Cole  
BACK ROW: Coach Areheart, Kim Carlson, Joen Austgen, Lori Replin, Nine Kretz, Barb Seerle



#### On Her Toes

Power and a form helped Teresa Vitoux and her teammates through a 14-13 season.

#### Winning Shot

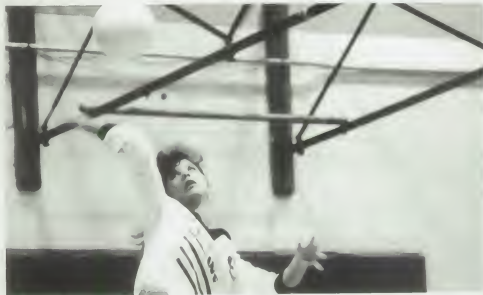
With full force, Beth Searle sends the ball soaring past her opponents' reach.

#### Hard foe

their won over Crown Point.

"We worked as a team; we played tough and we were out to win," explained Daphne Ortiz.

Undefeated in Conference play; losing only to North Newton and Bishop Noll; beating powerhouses Hobart and Portage — these were the accomplishments of the Freshmen Volleyball Team, the "winningest" team in school history.



#### Senior Power

Adding leadership and skill, Rusty Merrills serves up a shot for her opponent.



**FRESHMEN VOLLEYBALL** — FRONT ROW: Christa Ilko, Tracy Zagrovich, Valarie Cole, Beth Brechler, Karen Watson BACK ROW: Coach Pete Iussig, Marcie Cook, Kiley Trainor, Shelly Klotz, Tammy Lampken, Natalie Shadowen, Melanie Bielefeld



#### **Too Late**

Her opponents' outstretched hands were too late to catch Vitoux's return shot.

# ross Country

## *Spirit defies losses*

Not everyone has motivation to "go the distance" every day, but the Cross Country teams are exceptions. Although the girls outdid the boys again this year, as a whole, the team performed well throughout the season.

"The teams were a good mixture together, which makes coaching more fun," said Coach Bob Thomas; "This was one of the 'fun-

nest' groups in a while."

The girls finished with an especially exceptional season of eight wins and three losses, sending Susan and Sarah Langmaid to Regionals, and then Sarah on to the State competition.

On the other hand, leadership proved to be a weakness for the boys' team.

"The boys didn't have real good leaders, but they worked hard. They were

also a younger group," commented Thomas.

Because of the hard work and dedication, both teams were successful.

"This season has been an enthusiastic one," said Coach Thomas. "I really enjoyed coaching both teams."

*Lynne Mates*



### **They're Off**

At the sound of the starting gun, Lowell girls (far left) move into their stride.

### **Determination**

Junior Scott Eaker (right) shows concentration in his fight to beat his opponent from KV.

### **First**

Heading first to the finish line, junior Sarah Langmaid takes another win.





**CROSS COUNTRY — FRONT ROW:** Deborah Boer, Heather Strickhorn, Maurissa Afanador, Sarah Langmaid, Kasalya Taylor, Susan Langmaid, Caren Szczerbik. **SECOND ROW:** Jason Martin, Scott Irwin, Mark Lindemer, Rob Jordan, Danny Hurat, Sean Jared. **BACK ROW:** Charles Iahmael, Andrew Cory, Ryan Viera, Coach Bob Thomas, Shawn Wietbrock, Rusty Bielefeld, Scott Eaker.



#### Strategy

Cross Country teammates surround Coach Bob Thomas for some advice on running.

### Scoreboard

#### BOYS

Won	1
Lost	10

#### GIRLS

Won	8
Lost	3



# ennis

## *Memories made for coach*

After six years of coaching Boys' and Girls' Tennis, Mr. Dhonau walks away from the tennis courts and into the Dean's Office. However, he leaves with the memory of a Sectional upset by the girls and the hope of improvement for the boys.

The Girls' Tennis Team showed steady improvement all year despite some weakness in doubles and windy spring weather. Their moment of glory, however,

came with their upset victory over Merrillville in the first round of Sectionals.

"We surprised many people and then Crown Point had to struggle to beat us in the second round. I was really proud of the way the team played this year," said Dhonau.

The Boys' Tennis Team struggled against a sometimes tougher opponent than any conference team — themselves.

"They tended to get

themselves in a negative frame of mind very quickly during a match," Dhonau commented.

The decision to leave coaching was not an easy one for Dhonau.

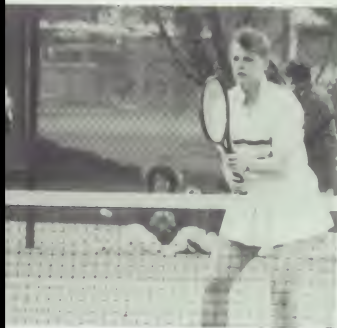
"When we were playing our Sectional match it hit me that I would not be doing this anymore and I realized how much I would miss it," he said.

But at least he won't be too far away!



### Eyes on the Ball

The doubles team of Gwen Fleener and Jennie Rogers proved to be an impressive one for the girls' team.

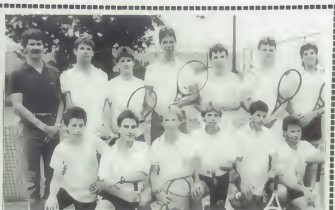


### Grace Under Pressure

With flair and precision, Gine Steward takes off to return a lob.

### Concentration

With a smooth, easy stroke, Eric Hollister lets the ball bounce before returning it over the net.



**BOYS' TENNIS** — FRONT ROW: Donald Mey, Joe Duguey, Jeremy Lemp, John Restovski, Mark Barnhart, Mike Cluver BACK ROW: Coach Jeff Dhonau, Deve Belfie, Jason Lewis, Ross Cusic, Jason Robinson, Eric Hollister, Joel Guske



**GIRLS' TENNIS** — FRONT ROW: Peule Kooistre, Amy Atterbury, Gine Steward, Lynn Grent, Gwen Fleener BACK ROW: Coach Jeff Dhonau, Melenie Bielefeld, Ceren Szczerbik, Jennie Rogers, Trisha Shipley, Bridget Shaffer, Heather Lindsey, Jackie Rogers





# wimming

## *Girls swim at State; boys improve*

"Ba-Boing! Splash! Go, Go, Gol Yeah!", were the familiar sounds heard around the pool as the Girls' and Boys' teams swam their way to victory.

For the girls, all the practice and hard work paid off in the end with a record of 10-7.

"The year was okay, but I think we should have practiced harder", stated Krista Duncan.

The Girls' Team moved on to State with Krista Duncan in the 50 and 100 freestyle; Kara Duncan in the 200 freestyle; and Holly Antcliff, Erika Seydel and Krista Duncan competing in the medley relay.

As far as the Boys' Swim Team was concerned, the team size had grown, and both new and returning swimmers had great attitudes.

"Last year we were 5-12, so the goal for this year is to turn that around and be 12-5", exclaimed Coach Bader.

Coach Bader's dream did not exactly come true, but it came close with the record of 8-7 and placing second in the Kankakee Valley Invite.

Kara Dokupill



### Getting Ready

Waiting impatiently, the Stingrays are eager to start their next meet.

### Splashin' and a Splashin'

During her individual medley relay, junior Erika Seydel draws closer to the end of her breaststroke lap.

### "Cannonball" Laura

Striving for a perfect dive, junior Laura Hardwich performs a powerful backwards somersault.







**GIRLS' SWIM TEAM** — KNEELING: Amy Ripley, Nadine Brindley, Robin Schmidt, Vicki Fitch, Erika Seydel, Jen Harper, STANDING: Coach George Bader, Tracy Boyles, Brandi Barker, Laura Hardwick, Laura Johnaona, Missy Stevens, Jamie Anderson, Kriata Duncan, Kara Duncan, Holly Antcliff.



**BOYS' SWIM TEAM** — KNEELING: Andrew Becker, Doug Hurat. FIRST ROW: Danny Hurat, Greg Ilko, John Rastovski, Coach George Bader. SECOND ROW: Kurt Johnson, Nadine Brindley, Manager; Jason Robinson, Jennifer Heniff, Manager; Jeff Nelson. THIRD ROW: Mike Wytzyzyczewski, Jeff Brindley, Joe Schara. TOP ROW: Joe Duguay, Scott Stegenga.

## Pep Sessions

# FEEL THE HEAT!

"Gimme an L . . . Gimme an O . . . Gimme a W and E, L, LI What's it spell? LOWELL!" This cheer had been yelled so many times that you say it in your sleep. Why you say? Because we definitely have had our share of pep sessions this year. In fact we have had six of them.

Because of the incredible basketball season we had, the school spirit seems to have increased tremendously. Hot games and hot nights provoked pep sessions which was supported by students and faculty. The pep sessions added to the momentum and were a nice tool to promote school spirit.

"The pep sessions create anxiety for the players and provokes them to do their best job", stated Scott Eaker.

For a pep session there is a lot

of organization on the cheerleaders' part. They had to get things together, like pumping the team up, raising spirit and getting the crowd more involved.

There were a lot of interesting competitions for the students to participate in. Obstacle courses, pie eating contests, balloon popping, and basket shooting in a dress were some of the contests.

"I thought it was fun running down court in a dress", said junior Joe Schara.

In addition to announcing at pep sessions, emcee Don Holt has his own opinions on them.

"I think that we should have pep sessions for every home game and that the minor sports should be recognized also. Now that we have the ball rolling, let's keep it going!"

*Erica Seydel*



### **Lets Give a Cheer!**

Students aren't the only ones who can show their spirit. The teachers and faculty made up their own cheering section.

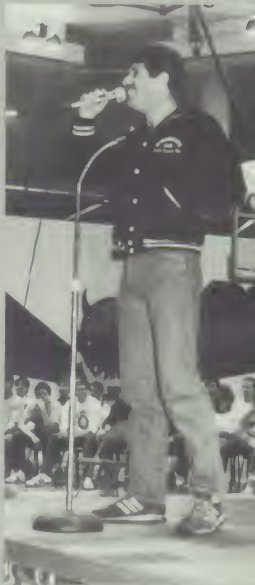
### **Way To Go Girls!**

Reaching the farthest the Varsity Girls Basketball Team ever reached, Tammy Kinsey, Amanda Mitchell, Lee Ann Parks, and Teresa Vitoux feel there is nothing to hide, but Wendy Furstenburg feels bashful about the pep session given in their honor.



### On Your Marks Get Set .. Go!

Competing for their own class, Rob Myers and Kenny Bachorski run through an obstacle course to show their school spirit.



### Can I Hear Some Applause, Please?

Being chosen as "Team of the Week" by radio station Z95 and 7UP, Lowell was honored by Z95 personality Alan Kabel in his own special way.

### Listen Up!

The crowd hushed long enough for Mike Brechler and the rest of the team to get in some words about the exciting season they were having.

# asketball

## *Fans help turn team around*

Feeling like he is running on a cloud, the basketball player moves swiftly down the court, dribbling a ball that is trying earnestly to keep up with him. As he nears the basket, he leaps into the air and after doing a complete circle while airborne, he slams the ball home.

The spectacular 360° dunk — the crowd favorite. Equally impressive was the 360° move the Varsity

Boys' Basketball Team performed by turning their record completely around from 4-19 last year to 19-4 this year.

Many factors contributed to this turnaround — experience, the three-point shot, but fan support seemed to be the largest influence.

"Fan support was like a sixth man on the floor, and it especially helped us beat Crown Point and Andrean," said senior center Ross Cu-

sic.

Coach Steve Leonard was also grateful to the community for its loyal backing.

"We've been waiting for a year like this," he said. "We turned the entire community on, which was a great feeling."

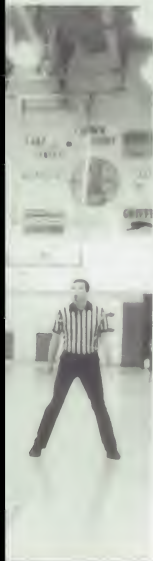
Unfortunately, the outstanding season came to a halt in the Sectional championship game.



**Play It Again, Coach**  
JV Coach Pete Weiand goes over the game plan one last time before sending his players onto the court.



**VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL** — FRONT ROW: Erin Nichols, Mike McLean, Chris Jusevitch, Mike Brechler, Jim Langen BACK ROW: Coach Steve Leonard, Dave Bafia, Larry Vick, Roas Cusic, Scott Carey, Jon Bielefeld, Managera Debbie Boer, Kim Carlson



**Helping Hand**  
A Crown Point rival unsuccessfully tries to block Jeff Clinton's shot.

**Sky High Senior**  
Senior Roas Cusic rebounded from a mediocre 1986-87 season to pile up the points.



**JV BOYS' BASKETBALL** — FRONT ROW: Scott Eaker, Mike Hayden, Keith Hefner, Craig Carey, BACK ROW: Phil Vinson, Jeff Clinton, Keith Stevens, Kevin Anderson, Rusty Bielefeld, Coach Pete Weiand

*Scoreboard*

**VARSITY**

Won	19
Lost	4



## Turnaround

Leonard's depression over this loss was short-lived.

Reflecting on the season accomplishments, he said, "I'm proud of the way our team jelled — we did more than anybody thought we could do.

Although the JV team did not perform the breathtaking 360° turnaround, they still captivated the crowds with their improved play over last year.

Shooting 50 percent from the field, the JV team kept fans on their feet as shot after shot tumbled into the net.

Finally, the Freshmen also proved to be crowd pleasers with their impressive winning record.

"The season was great because we played well as a team and had a good coach," said Jim Carlson.

*Sarah Langmaid,  
Amanda Mitchell*

### Sensational Soph

Sophomore Erin Nichols entered the Varsity limelight to score big.



### Nothin' To Break My Stride!

A tough Crown Point team was no obstacle as Chris Justevich adds two points to his total of points.



### Hot!

Helping the team sail to a victory, JV player Mike McLean makes the winning shot at the Crown Point game.



**FRESHMEN BOYS' BASKETBALL** — FRONT ROW: Shawn Sylvie, Troy Huseman, Jim Carlson, Archie Mitchell, Josh White, Doug Zatoraki, Justin Weiler, William Burdette BACK ROW: Manager Chuck Heath, Steve Conners, Mike Piatt, Eric Hernandez, Harold Titak, Greg Brown, Coach Mike Magley



Awwww, Come On!  
Pleading for a good call, freshman  
Troy Huseman disagrees with the  
ref.



# asketball

## *Fairy tales come true*

The Girls' Basketball Team had a rags to riches season. Fortunately, they cast the rags aside, donned their high tops (Sorry, no glass slippers for these girls.) and played up to their potential with a fairy tale ending — Sectional runners-up.

Diving after loose balls, making sacrifices for the team, and playing without trepidation, Hebron transfer

student, Teresa Vitoux, gained respect of area coaches and a spot on the LSC First Team All-Conference.

Kristen Sturgill, senior forward, returned from knee surgery to gain a spot on the Honorable Mention Conference Team.

Sturgill commented, "I worked non-stop after surgery to get back to normal. I lifted weights and played

basketball the majority of the summer."

Despite the fact that the team will lose four seniors, Schwanke is positive about next year.

"We're going to miss them, but we're going to have people like Tammy Kinsey and Holly Antcliff who believe in themselves."



The Sky's the Limit!  
JV player Christa Ilko, a freshman,  
reaches high for a layup.



**Outmaneuvered**  
Hebron product Teresa Vitoux es-  
capes her opponent's attack.

**Dedication, Determination, Dis-  
cipline, and Desire**  
Varsity Coach Steve Schwanke  
does his best to teach his team  
the four D's before sending them  
onto the court.



**GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL** — FRONT ROW: Trisha Reu-  
syl, Tammy Kinsey, Amanda Mitchell, Wendy Furstenberg, Te-  
resa Vitoux, Holly Antcliff. BACK ROW: Coach Brad Stewart,  
Coach Airhart, Kasalya Taylor, Amy McNeil, Lee Ann Parks,  
Krista Sturgill, Moira McMillan, Coach Steve Schwanke.



**GIRLS' JV BASKETBALL** — FRONT ROW: Kim Kyle, Christa  
Ilko, Valerie Cole, Tiffany Schmelter. BACK ROW: Coach Brad  
Stewart, Sharon Tate, Melanie Bielefeld, Angela Fisher, Beth  
Anderson, Manager; Jenny Thrall.

## Scoreboard

Varsity		
Won		9
Lost		7

Junior Varsity		
Won		11
Lost		7

Freshman		
Won		0
Lost		10

#### A Learning Experience.

Varsity players Trisha Reuze, Tammy Kinsey, and Moira McMillan gain experience from the bench.

#### J-U-U-M-M-P-P-P!

Varsity players Lee Ann Parks and Kristen Sturgill strive to perfect their jumping while Moira McMillan awaits the outcome.

### Fairy tale

Junior Varsity and freshman teams are usually the black sheep of the athletic world, waiting in the wings for the chance to make the varsity team.

But the Girls' JV and Freshmen Basketball Teams took time into their own hands, compiling records of 11-7, and 0-12, respectively.

The height of the JV Team came up a little short, but hard work changed the stats.

"I'm small and a lot of people tell me I'm good so I really want to get it," explained freshman Christa Ilko, JV player and proof of a winning spirit.

Sarah Langmaid



#### Out Of My Way!

Expertly outmaneuvering her Morton opponent, Jenny Picha heads down the court.

### Winning Form

Air balls were a rarity for senior forward Kristen Sturgill, member of the Honorable Mention All-Conference Team.



### It's Mine!

Struggling for position, junior Moira McMillan waits for the ball.

# restling

## *Four top their personal best*

This year, Coach Jerry Cameron definitely had something to be pleased about. First, he had four wrestlers who exceeded last year's limits on their personal bests. Then fan support increased.

Exceeding personal bests were Tony Rokosz, Tony Curtis, David Richardson and Jason Miller.

"I only achieved one of my personal goals, but the whole team as a group

achieved many goals," said Tom Rosinko.

One goal set and achieved was to have a Lowell wrestler compete at State. Senior Tony Rokosz managed that.

The team faced difficulties on the way to achieving their goals.

"There was somewhat of a problem with the weight classes. They were way too high," said Ken Parker.

Nevertheless, the team

overcame this obstacle and the lack of experience to perform well this season.

With Rokosz graduating, the outlook may be clouded, but Coach Cameron isn't worried.

"It will hurt losing Tony and Dave next year but we have a lot of talented and determined kids coming up," said Cameron.

*Sarah Langmaid*

### **State Qualifier**

Not at all phased by his opponent, senior Tony Rokosz gets set for an easy pin.

### **A Winning Grip**

One of the four outstanding lettermen, Jason Miller has a firm grip on his opponent.

### **The Winner!**

The referee declares Tony Rokosz the winner over his Crown Point opponent.





**WRESTLING — FRONT ROW:** Brian Lonardi, Brian Vance, Allen Peterson, Nick Whitacre, Kenny Parker **ROW 2:** Tom Rokosz, Mike Kalvaitis, Joe Sneed, Brian Graham **BACK ROW:** Coach Jerry Cameron, Jody Herr, Mike Krueger, Scott Adams, Dave Bardwell, Tim Garling, Chris Arnold, Dave Richardson, Coach Tom Renn



**WRESTLING — FRONT ROW:** Becky Simmers, Manager; Jason Miller, Scott Irwin, Craig McLean, Julie Sampias, Manager **ROW 2:** George Lutgen, Jason Martin, Ed Hardesty, Scott Mills, Jeff Frahm, Scott Pflughoeft, Tony Rokosz **ROW 3:** Chris Reed, Jim Carago, Kevin Graham, Mark Kacius, Chris Manning, Shawn Todd, David Corning, Jeremy Lemp **BACK ROW:** Joe Berkshire, Mike Cluver, Tom Govert, Tony Curtis, Chris Valtierra, Jason Lewis, Lee Childress, Mike Johnson, Chris Yocum



# ymnastics

## *Setbacks don't mean defeat*

Competing in gymnastics for honors is hard enough but when there are obstacles to overcome, the season can be a tough one.

For the Gymnastics Team, it was a year of adjustments. From Michelle Koppen's broken foot to Lori Zander's chicken pox, the team recovered remarkably well and gave their best.

Another adjustment included a new assistant

coach, Mendy Steward. With a background in gymnastics at Lowell, Steward was able to give the girls new pep and zest to their floor and beam routines.

"The girls would come up with the way they wanted their routines and then we would work together to come up with a routine that was just right for them," said Steward.

In some teams there is always one person who

thinks that winning is everything, but this gymnastics team didn't follow that philosophy. Being the best they could be in individual events was very important to these motivated young women. Their season was a rewarding one for them. After all, isn't that what really matters?

*Gina Steward,  
Melinda Wortinger*



### **With Flair**

Showing her flexibility to the judges, Laura Rowley adds flair to her floor routine.

### **A Big Finish**

Taking her final run, Beth Brechler finishes off her last tumbling pass.

### **Grace Under Pressure**

Hoping not to lose her footing, Aimee Mielczarek concentrates on her beam routine during a meet.







**GYMNASTICS** — FRONT ROW: Aimee Mielczarek, Lori Zander, Cathie Lindahl, Beth Brechler, Donna Ojeda, Patti Berg BACK ROW: Jason Bruce, Manager; Laura Rowley, Trena Depel, Michelle Koppen, Elizabeth Seberger, Bettina Kluge, Assistant Coach Mendy Steward, Coach Mel Henig



**Ready to Help**  
Getting ready to dismount the beam, Donna Ojeda gets reassuring assistance from Coach Mel Henig.



# Beat the Odds

A 5'6" midget dribbles the basketball down the court, sails into the air, hangs onto the rim for a split second, then comes down to Earth, dodging the giants seeking to destroy him. He just slam dunked. His name — Spud Webb.

Tim Dagget, 1984 Olympic Gymnastics Champion. Three years and two serious injuries later — two ruptured discs in his neck and six metal rods in his left leg — Tim Dagget is still on the quest for Olympic glory.

A small school of 1,018 students combines hard work and sweat to continually overcome their larger Lake Suburban Conference foes.

All have done the impossible — all have beaten the unbeatable odds.

On October 8, 1987, the Girls' Swim team drenches swimming powerhouse Munster for the first time in ten years. The score — 87-85.

October 24 — the Freshmen Volleyball Team ends their season, compiling a record of 14-3, and gains the Conference title.

December 18, the Wrestling Team completes their season with a 15-2 record, advancing four individuals beyond the Sectional level.

January 29, 1988, both the Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball Teams beat Crown Point — the first time a Lowell basketball team has beaten the Bulldogs since 1968.

The date — February 3. The place — Merrillville High School. Crown Point easily defeats the Lady Devils 65-39 for the Girls' Basketball Sectional Championship, but Lowells' runner-up finish shows the start of a strong program.

February 8, the Freshmen Basketball Team ends their season victoriously — 15-4.

May 6, 1988, the thirteen-man Girls' Track Team strides out of their 3-11 record and wins the Griffith Relays — beating L.S.C. dynamos Calumet, Lake Central, Griffith, and Munster.

The road of the small to victory is often long and hard but a little courage and a lot of grim determination can overcome odds of any size.

*Sarah Langmaid*



#### Statebound Swimmer

While the Lady Devils excelled as a team, Krista Duncan made the headlines as an individual.

#### Pain Past Is Pleasure.

Winding down after a hard game, the Boys' Basketball Team shows us the fun side of victory.

### 90% Mental, 10% Physical

Psyching up for a match, the Freshmen Volleyball Team shows that their heads are in the right place.



### What Does Not Destroy Me Makes Me Stronger.

On the road to state success, Tony Rokoz shows the desire needed to succeed.

### Lonely Life

The life of a long distance runner is solitary, but victory makes it worthwhile for Erika Seydel.



# aseball

## 3 Strikes — They're IN!

Strike one; Strike two; Strike three — You're OUT!

Faltering against Conference and non-Conference foes alike, finishing last in the Lake Suburban Conference — the Varsity Baseball Team decided that three strikes against them was more than enough.

Their turnaround play at the Crown Point Sectional surprised all but the die-hard Devil fans and the pre-

diction of Coach Kent Hess.

"Fan support was lousy," commented Jeff Kelley. "Hardly anyone came; the people that did were the same people every time."

Improved pitching and consistency in the defense in the last weeks before Sectionals fueled Hess' predictions.

"We got a chance at it," he assured fans. "Our sea-

son isn't over yet. We're gonna win the Sectionals," he hoped.

In the semi-final round, the team slugged their way to a hard-earned victory over Crown Point, 6-5. Ignited by their win, they went on to cancel Lake Central's Regional hopes with a 5-2 win, before having their own chances smashed 9-2 in first round play at the East Chicago Regionals.



**Defense a Downfall**  
 "It's a coming and going thing," said Hess of the defense. Fortunately, problems were solved by the time of Sectionals.



**S-A-A-A-F-E**  
 Reaching the bag easily, Jim Langen gets another base hit for the Red Devils.

**Sectional Starter**  
 Starting the Sectional victory, Daryl Alkire pitched the Red Devils to the semi-finals.



**VARSITY BASEBALL** — FRONT ROW: Mike Brechler, Dennis Yuhasz, Mark Beenea, Danny Marx, Daryl Alkire, Doug Basham, John Kelly BACK ROW: Coach Kent Hess, Jim Langen, Jeff Busselberg, Curt Lechner, Dave Purkey, Larry Vick, Rich Frederick, Jeff Kelley, Jeff Nelson, Mike Wytryszczewski, Missy Stevens, Laura Johnaon, Managera



**JV BASEBALL** — FRONT ROW: Brad Szczerbik, Jason Powers, Neil Ohlendorf, Phil Vinson, Greg Ford, George Trajkovski BACK ROW: Jeff Clinton, Greg Iko, Rich Bunce, Keith Stevens, Rusty Bielefeld, Phil Purkey, Mike Joseforsky, Coach Brad Stewart



**FRESHMEN BASEBALL** — FRONT ROW: Phil Cromer, Tom Dewell, Randy Flaheer, Rich Wegner, Randy Ruley, Jeff Easto, Chadd Arthur BACK ROW: Dave Keuhs, Scott Milla, Jim Carlson, Greg Brown, Mark Tishey, Mike Kalvaitis, Coach Randy Bays



#### On the Upswing

Entering Varsity action for the first time, Mark Beenes' strength as a hitter and pitcher was invaluable.

#### Weakness Overcome

Last year's pitching weakness was overcome by a strong staff. On the mound for the Red Devils is Curt Lechner.

#### You're IN!

"I think we got somewhere no one thought we'd be. It (losing) kind of balanced it out — although no one likes to lose," said Hess.

One look at the Freshmen Baseball record and you'd probably moan and cover your eyes. But looking past the 2-14 record, you'd see that it was not for a lack of talent that the team lost; it was simply a lack of experience.

"It wasn't for a lack of athletic talent; it was for a lack of understanding the fundamentals. Once they get past that and their athletic ability takes over, they will be competitive," said Coach Randy Bays.

*Sarah Langmaid*



#### Sure Hit

Swinging the bat for the Red Devils, junior Jim Langen excelled.



### Hitting Strong

The Red Devils could be most competitive while at bat.



### Swinging Senior

Hitting for the Red Devils is senior Jeff Busselberg.





# rack

## *Girls show less is better*

For the Girls' Track Team, success didn't really come easy. The team was plagued with injuries throughout the season. The shortage of team members didn't help either.

The girls went into the Griffith Relays with a less than outstanding record, but they emerged champions, proving that there was talent beyond the record.

Amy McNeil, voted Most Valuable Player, lived up to that description by accumulating over 108 points throughout the season by competing in many events.

Injury hit runner Miki Morrow the hardest. She spent most of the year treating a knee injury she received in volleyball. However, she came back to be eligible to compete in the high jump at

State.

There were times in the season when the reward at the end of the finish line seemed pretty far away and unreachable. But the girls could always hear ringing in their ears the words of Coach Naumowich.

"Quantity doesn't always mean quality."

*Erick Seydel*



### **Life in the Long Lane**

Off to a fast start, Erika Syedel and Maurissa Afanador compete in the 1600.

### **Reaching New Heights**

Despite a knee injury, senior Miki Morrow set records in the high jump.

### **Over the Top**

Voted MVP, sophomore Amy McNeil keeps pace with the competition.





**GIRLS' TRACK** — FRONT ROW: Sarah Langmaid, Maria Hertzlieb, Lisa Merkel, Amy Ripley, Susan Langmaid, Erin Wornhoff BACK ROW: Coach Chuck Naumowich, Erika Seydel, Beth Anderson, Tammy Stuppy, Julie Wagner, Kim Kyle, Amy McNeil, Coach Denise Wiekilinski



**New Face in the Crowd**  
Unable to compete in hurdles due to her knee, Miki Morrow took her talents to the 100.

# rack

## *Young team takes knocks*

Six sets of sharp spikes anxiously toe the white arc. All is silent except for one lone voice that cries, "Runner set!", and then, the gun. Six well-trained bodies fly forward — arms and legs pumping, lungs gasping for air, racing against each other and the ever-present clock.

Lowell's Boys' Track Team also had to race against the opinion that time had run out for the young team after the gradu-

ation of discus and shot put specialist, Terrye Kirchenstein. But the emergence of strong upperclassmen leadership and talented freshmen proved that their success, although slow in starting is really just beginning.

The team had no single stars, but the team concept and love of victory was strong.

"I'm looking for a lot of success out of these underclassmen in the future,"

commented Coach Tom Renn.

The boys established a season record of 0-11 and finished seventh out of seven in Lake Suburban Conference action.

"Basically we had a whole team of freshmen that took the knocks on the head. They got a lot of experience; whether they won, lost, or tied, they got the experience needed for competition," Renn said.

*Sarah Langmaid*



**Right On Track**  
Pole vaulter, Mark Barnhart, leaped past the competition en-route to a sixth place vault at conference



**BOYS' TRACK — FRONT ROW:** Manager Kallie Piskoty and Stephanie Fox, Scott Eaker, Mike Hayden, Mark Barnhart, Craig McLean, Phil Cataldo, Brian Vance, Jason Martin **ROW 2:** Sean Cwik, Rob Jordan, Lee Childress, Mike McCullough, Bill Herochik, Jeff Cunningham, Kevin Graham, Kevin Weaver, Ed Hardesty, Coach Tom Renn. **BACK ROW:** Brian Graham, Ryan Viers, Chris Yocum, Tim Garling, Dan Bardwell, Kevin Hayden, Matt Felder, Jody Herr, Coach Ward Price.



**On the Wings of Victory**  
Long distance runner, Scott Eaker, makes winning look easy.

**Fleet of Foot**  
Struggling to catch his Morton opponent, Kevin Weaver surges forward.



**Versatility**  
Team statisticians carefully watch Lee Childress in the long jump. Coach Renn considered Childress to be one of the more versatile team members.

## Girls shatter school records

It's time for tee, not the one we drink, but the tee that goes with golf. The Girls' and Boys' Golf Teams competed in some challenging matches. Season records for the Girls' Team was 3-10 and 7-13 for the Boys' Team. The Boys also shot a season low of 117 at Sherwood Golf Course and 375 at Lake Hills Invitational.

Both teams played tough

schedules. The boys' major competition was at the Conference where they ended with a finishing score of 2-10.

"It was a very enjoyable season; players worked real hard and were a lot of fun, and I'm very satisfied," said Coach Pete Weiland.

The girls played their first Conference game against last year's defending State Champions from Nobles-

ville.

All of them actually improved their individual scores, but, Tina Fry with a score of 55 at Pheasant Valley and Bridgette Cwik with a score of 118 at the Sectionals, broke school records.

"This year was great," said Coach Milakovic.

Jackie Swift



### Where Did It Go!

After hitting the ball, Scott Lauth looks down the green wondering how far his ball has gone.

### Right Here!

Bridgette Cwik waits for her partner to put the ball in, so she can mark the hole.

### What a Swing!

Jason Miller knocks up dirt with his ball, while trying to get out of the sand trap.





GIRL'S GOLF TEAM — FRONT ROW: Abigail Eskridge, Mindy Ridgeway. BACK ROW: Stephanie Parks, Bridgette Cwik, Lee Ann Parks, Co-Captain; Laura Tishey, Coach Mick Milakovic.



I'm Not Nervous!  
Chris Manning takes time to concentrate on his putt.



# oftball

*Look out for next year!*

How could you describe this year's softball season?

"To put it in one word, I'd say IMPROVING," stated Coach Mick Milakovic.

And improving is definitely what they were trying to do. Starting off with a young team and program made for a slow start, but by the end of the season, the girls were on track and next year will see the return of some full-fledged veteran players.

Lowell is only into its

third season as a member of the Lake Suburban Conference in softball. The girls are up against some established programs like Lake Central with six years experience and Merrillville with seven years. However, next year the season will begin with Lowell bringing back several varsity players which include three star pitchers.

"We were high on potential because of last year's ending," said Milakovic.

Though the team was shot down by Crown Point in the first round of Sectional action with a score of 9-4, Milakovic wasn't discouraged.

"I was happy with the progress and the improvement that we achieved this year. It was basically the same problem all year; our defense was inconsistent," commented Milakovic.

*Sarah Langmaid*



# Safe!

A good call by the umpire has a Lowell runner safe at the plate.



# On Her Way Home

Rounding the bases on her way to home, Wendy Fuerstenberg will score another run for Lowell.

# Batter Up

Determination and skill make for an unbeatable combination as Kristin Sturgill waits to make a hit at bat.



**VARSITY SOFTBALL** — FRONT ROW: Kim Skorka, Kim Henig, Sandy Mueller, Daphne Ortiz, Wendy Fuerstenberg, Kris Huseman, Peggy Henig, Sue Billard ROW 2: Abby Eskridge, Mindy Ridgeway, Managers; Nina Kretz, Tammy Kinsay, Kasalya Taylor, Krulia Sturgill, Laura Tishey, Barb Searle, Teresa Vitoux, Coach Mick Milakovic



**JV SOFTBALL** — FRONT ROW: Tracy Zagrovich, Christa Ilko, Nina Wisch, Andrea Bozak, Karin Watson, Jenny Picha, Debbie Boer, Lori Replin ROW 2: Shelly Klotz, Mendi McLean, Beth Brechler, Natalie Shadowen, Marcie Cook, Jennifer Russell, Tammy Lamken

### Steady

At the close of a cheer, Darcy Weller gets her balance on fellow Varsity Cheerleader Alyssa Laumeyer's shoulders.



### Our Turn

With the help of their classmates, the Freshmen Cheerleaders wait for their turn to show their spirit at a pep session.

### Good Job

At her regular spot on the sidelines, cheerleading sponsor, Mrs. Magley, shows her approval of a cheer.





# heerleaders

## *Feed the heat*

The Lowell cheerleaders found out just how much spirit Lowell really had this year when cheering fans on at games and pep sessions.

The pep sessions were another chance to let the school know how important it is to support athletics. Many contests were held to keep the spirits high in the gym.

"Much time was put into preparing all pep sessions;

it was hard to think of new concepts but it was worth it," said Varsity cheerleader, Alyssa Laumeyer.

Mrs. Magley, cheerleading sponsor, needed the help this year from the cheerleaders during the year due to her pregnancy. It became a two-way street with the girls helping Mrs. Magley while she helped the girls. By running errands and helping to supervise practices, the girls never

let her down.

"I think it brought us closer this year. The squads never fought. We were one big, happy family and it was great!" said Darcy Weller, Varsity cheerleader.

Everyone at games, however, felt the heat this year when the cheerleaders brought the spirit to us.

*Lynne Mates*



### **Devil Pride**

All the cheerleading squads are led in the school song by Sue Billard.

### **Fire Up!**

A pom pon routine by the cheerleaders at a pep session fires up the crowd's spirit.

### **Showing Off**

Modeling their cheerleading camp T-shirts, Varsity Cheerleaders Sue Billard and Beth McCarthy take a break from practice.



# Get Service

# Here

**A** gleaming black car with blazing red stripes pulls into the service station. From all appearances, there's nothing wrong with the car, but if you listen closely, you can hear an annoying rattle coming from under the hood.

From all appearances, LHS looks fine, too, with a strong academic program and a new surge in athletics, but if you look again, you will see the weak spot — the lack of interest and participation in clubs and organizations.

There was enough power from winning sports seasons to keep organizations like L Club and Cheerleaders fired up and, in turn, their enthusiasm fueled the rest of the student body. L Club membership increased and its members, along with the Athletic Boosters, sponsored bake sales, car washes and numerous spirit sales of Red Devil T-shirts and buttons.

There was enough spirit to encourage the development of a new organization, Pom Pons. Overcoming many obstacles, the group managed to also tap into the renewed athletic spirit and provide entertainment at home sporting events.

But on the whole, club life seemed to be stalled somewhere between the usual, routine club activities and a few innovations on the club calendar. Most groups played it safe with their annual bake sales, candy sales, and parties but events like the Choir's Lip Sync Contest or Tech Ed's Team Machine Contest were a welcome jolt of new life into the club year.

A tougher academic program, after-school jobs and shifting interests took their toll on clubs. Often times, the same people were leaders of several clubs and ended up doing most of the work.

The noise under the hood of the shiny black car causes no real problem to the car's running; it just makes it a little less efficient; Lowell High School could survive without clubs — but what fun would there be?

## Clubs







Pom

Pons

# Not a fair shake at all

In recent years, new groups and organizations have been introduced to Lowell High. In '84 it was softball. In '85, there was Merit and Journalism. This year, Pom Pons was organized.

What started out to be a shaky but enthusiastic attempt to boost school spirit, ended up to be a big disappointment for the chosen girls. The team itself, however, was not a disappointment. They worked hard at their goal of boosting spirit.

Though the Pom Pon squad worked hard for their recognition, they weren't supported by the school. In the beginning, the team was told they were part of the Athle-

tic Department, only to find out later, they had been misinformed. As a result, the girls weren't able to attend sports banquets representing their club. Captain Bethe Gentile commented that their squad was given "no fair shake at all."

As in most cases, where there is bad, there is also good. Together, the girls seemed to enjoy the opportunity to meet and become friends with new people.

"I made friends that I never thought I'd ever be friends with," said Stacy Wright.

*Lynne Mates*

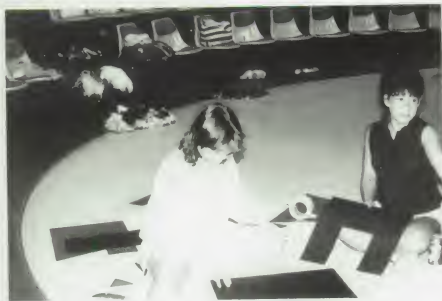


#### Conflicts

Problems and readolutions are a part of any team as captain Bethe Gentile learns during a practice session as she teaches a new routine.

#### S-p-i-r-i-t

Poms take part in a pep session to energize their classmates.



#### Behind the Scenes Work

As members of the Pom Pons squad, Beth Gentile, captain, and Patty Berg do more than practice routines. Here they work on signs to promote team spirit.



#### **Step to the Music**

Putting her best foot forward, Stacy Wright practices a basic routine.

#### **Move to the Music**

The squad used the Little Theatre to practice before their performances. The girls were organized for the first time this year under the guidance of Mrs. Ford, adviser.



## Clubs

### Presidents

Sponsors  
Contests  
Trips

# Takin'

## it to the top

Sometimes campaigning is as fierce for them as it is for the candidates wishing to be the President of the United States and sometimes club presidents feel as if their jobs are just as burdensome. Through the leadership of organization presidents, clubs are able to hold successful fund raisers, host events for the student body and allow members the chance to have fun with

others having similar interests.

At the head of all student activities was Student Council president, senior Vicki Hall. This year she was able to energize and organize the group as an example of leadership for others to follow.

Club presidents don't receive the publicity or honors Reagan does, but their jobs as leaders are no less important.

### Step This Way

Keeping a group of freshmen together for orientation is one of the jobs senior class president Brian Moser performed as a leader.



#### Welcome New Members!

Surrounded by enthusiastic club members, Jeff Wein and Tim Goldman, Theatre Arts president Laura Talarek does her job getting new members on Club Sign-Up Day.

#### How Much Am I Bid?

To raise money for the Prom, Maurissa Afanador, junior class president, auctions off George Trajkovski at the Slave Sale.





#### Doing the Dirty Work

The job of setting up often falls to the officers as Nadine Brindley and Vicki Hall of Spanish Club get ready for an ethnic dinner.



#### Ready to Serve

The Sunshine Club was often called upon to serve as hostesses at school functions. Rachelle Burton (far right), club president, supervises the refreshment table.



## Clubs

Presidents

Sponsors

Contests

Trips

# S tandin'

## in the shadows

**WANTED — Energetic, responsible, and capable adult to work a full day and then devote evenings, weekends, and vacations to young people for little or no pay.**

Any takers? There are many at LHS who have accepted the position. Who are they? Club sponsors.

On paper, the job description is pretty bleak, but in reality, these people are responsible for the sur-

vival of extra-curricular organizations. But why would anyone want to take on such a job with no pay?

"I see the club as a chance for students to more fully experience the culture," said Mrs. Mills, sponsor of the Spanish Club and Foreign Exchange Club.

The hours are long; the pay is low; but the rewards are many. Lucky for us, all of the jobs of club sponsors are filled — and filled well.



### A Winner

The idea of the Team Machine competition was brought to Lowell by Mr. Kalbac, sponsor of the Tech. Ed. Club

### Show and Tell

By bringing in his own farm animals, Mr. Garling, sponsor of FFA, gave students an up-close look at the life and work on a farm.



### Hot Stuff!

Careful not to splatter hot grease, Mrs. Mills pitches in to prepare a dish for the Spanish Club dinner.



### Tenafel

Like the rest of the audience, Mrs. Meyers waits to see if one of her students in the Spell Bowl was a winner. Meyers again sponsored the Lowell team.

### Stage Directions

While usually directing students for many hours, Mrs. Ciochina, Theatre Arts sponsor, helps faculty members get into character for an IMPACT skit.





#### State Officer

At the State competition for OEA, Chuck Reeder was elected a district officer.

#### A Cheerleader in the Making

The Cheerleaders congratulate a fifth grade winner in the competition they sponsored at the Cheerleading Clinic.



#### Clubs

Presidents

Sponsors

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Trips

## B ringin'

## home the gold

The prizes aren't big enough to report to the IRS, but a plaque on the wall or a trophy on the mantle is worth its weight in gold to those winners of club sponsored competition.

There are skill competitions in which groups directly participate. OEA and VICA annually have students competing in contests at the district, state and sometimes national level. This year OEA placed 15 students at the District Contest held at Crown Point.

Several clubs this year sponsored their own contests. The Swing Choir hosted a lip sync contest which proved to be a crowd pleaser.

The Cheerleaders again gave elementary school girls the chance to learn routines with their annual Cheerleading Clinic.

Academically, Lowell students entered competitions like the Academic Decathlon and Jets.



#### A Local 'Prince'

Swing Choir's Lip Sync Contest produced real talent like winner Dave DeEspinosa's impression of Prince.



#### Spell It Out

Lowell was again host of the annual Spell Bowl.

#### Anything to Win

Class competitions were held at each of the pep sessions and contestants were required to perform some interesting stunts to win.



#### Travelling to Compete

The choir traveled more this year than in previous years to either compete or perform. Here Paula Peterson gets ready for a performance.



#### Headed for IU

As a Journalism student, junior Erika Seydel had the chance to attend a summer workshop at IU.



## Clubs

Presidents

Sponsors

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Trips

# Goin'

## the distance

It used to be, "To see the world, join the Army", but to see the sights now, join a club. Think about the number of organizations who have put on mileage this year, either for business or pleasure.

Foreign language clubs hold the record for mileage. French Club members traveled to France over spring break and Spanish Club members spent three weeks in

Costa Rica this summer.

Vocational groups like OEA and VICA traveled to compete in contests of skill.

Almost every weekend brought news of the band or choir students performing and competing somewhere, usually out of state.

Got an urge to travel? Don't know where to go? Join a club — they might have an idea for you.

### Test Anxiety

At the OEA District Contest held at Crown Point High School, Marie Rabe relaxes before she must compete.



### Foreign Travel

Going over the itinerary for their trip, French Club member Wendy Hitzeman and sponsor Mrs. Carter spent spring break in France.

### A Short Hop

ROTC members exit after their helicopter ride around Lowell. They also traveled to Washington, D.C. over spring break.

# Our School Zone

**N**ot many students could say that the academic year was easy for them, but the results of many students' work made it appear that they "cruised" through the rough times which included final exams, various random and required testing, and of course, report cards.

ISTEP testing for freshmen and juniors, new this year, was required by the state. Remediation was a possibility for failures, showing the seriousness of the testing program. Nevertheless, some students found the test a waste of time.

"The testing was stupid and there was no purpose to it. It was too basic," said junior Kristi Patchett.

Annual events like the Spell Bowl, Academic Decathlon and Jets took place again this year; however, classes took the initiative to show creativity.

For instance, in January, the Merit class performed "Wednesday Night Live", a spin-off of the popular comedy "Saturday Night Live". Characters ranged from authoress Grace Kelly to cartoon-strip cat, Garfield.

"It (the program) was neat and different," said junior Maurissa Afanador. "Every person had his own little 'educational section', and he made it as creative as possible."

Even some regular classes that served as sedatives in the past renewed student interest.

"Physics was interesting," said senior Jeff Kelley. "The acquisition of Mr. John Anderson was a vast improvement. He can both teach and relate to students. and he was willing to help students get everything possible out of class."

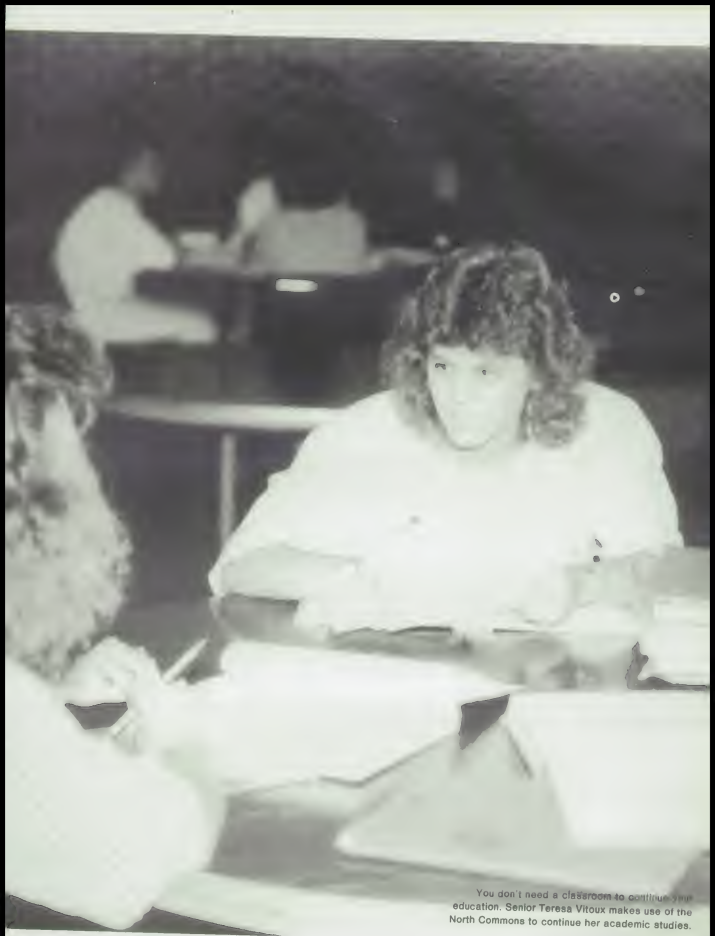
For seniors, the academic trials of high school netted three members spots as co-valedictorians and salutatorian, a return to an older graduation tradition.

Academically the school year brought varied results for students which either made them glad they plowed ahead or sorry they only "cruised" through their classes.

*Amanda Mitchell*



## Academics



You don't need a classroom to continue your education. Senior Teresa Vitoux makes use of the North Commons to continue her academic studies.



### Grammar Review

Before the class ends, Mrs. Riggle goes over a grammar review worksheet in preparation for a test the next day.

### First Day Work

As a part-time English teacher first semester, Mr. McCullough asks Mrs. Cusic about where to find materials for his class.



### Write It Down


To make sure there is no mix-up with students' books, Mrs. Riggle writes down Bill Markul's book number.



### Good Point

During class discussion, Mrs. Meyers pays close attention to a student's answer to a discussion question.





*Giving up the 'peace' of home,  
Riggle chooses a school's pace  
to begin her second career;  
it's her joy; it's her passion;*

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## |t's English

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When most women would be grateful for the peace and quiet at home after sending off the last of their children to school, Mrs. Riggle opted instead for the pace of college life and eventually the schedule of a high school English teacher.

Mrs. Riggle chose to go to Purdue Calumet to get her degree after having had six children. At Purdue, she not only carried a full load, but she also found time to publish some original poetry and teach college composition classes.

After college, Riggle was a substitute teacher at KV and nine years ago joined the Lowell faculty. She taught all levels but prefers the junior level.

"I enjoy teaching the American literature on that level," said Riggle.

She has been instrumental in organizing the selections and curriculum for the junior English level and many of the reading selections are her personal favorites. Through her efforts, the unit on the research paper will be introduced on the junior level next year.

Is retirement a possibility or will Mrs. Riggle go looking for another career?

"A little of both," she said. "My husband and I recently purchased a farm but I eventually plan on writing a book about my experiences."

It should be a best seller!



### Department Meeting

During an English meeting, Mrs. Cusic expresses her point of view on the problems that face the department.

*Patience, understanding  
plus respect and caring  
add up to easy learning  
in McQuiston's class*

## It's Math

A good teacher should take the time to explain and listen to his students. This is the atmosphere one might find in Mr. McQuiston's classroom.

"To create that learning environment, there needs to be respect from the teacher and toward the teacher. I don't just demand it, I give it," replied Mr. McQuiston.

Mr. McQuiston chose his career long before he went to Ball State where he worked for both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees.

"I always liked math, and I like working with the kids," explained

Mr. McQuiston.

For many couples, a different work place may provide a needed separation from one another. But in the case of the McQuistons, teaching in the same school may be more of an advantage. With each being a teacher, it may be easier to relate.

Commenting on this, Mr. McQuiston said, "We can talk about the problems and understand the problems and enjoy the same vacation. Some couples wouldn't like that, but we do."

*Lynne Mates*



**Head of the Class**

Leading his students step by step on the overhead, Mr. Weiland demonstrates how to solve a math problem.



#### Extra Duty

Taking out extra time after school, Mr. Ouwenga helps a student from falling behind in classwork.



#### Cramming

Mr. Servies answers one last question before he gives the test.

#### Just Checking

Helping a student with her homework, Mr. McQuiston checks the work and the answer she has reached.



**Working Quickly**

Mr. Deweese works on finishing up the final grades for the year.

**Notes Again**

Mrs. Lonardi puts up the notes on the overhead and explains them to her students.




**Commenting on History**

Mrs. Hurt talks to one of her students about a class assignment.



**Listen Up!**

In a lecture on government, Mr. Kamanaroff explains to the class what is happening in the world today.



The subject matter can be  
the past and the future,  
the laws and the lawmakers,  
the budget and the consumer —

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## It's Social Studies

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From the past to the future, from one side of the earth to the other, Mr. Deweese teaches students everything they need to know about the world and their cultures.

Mr. Deweese has been teaching at Lowell for 18 years. He decided to become a teacher in college. Before he came to our school, he wanted to go to the ghetto to teach the poor children, but he took the job at Lowell High School instead. While this year Deweese taught geogra-

phy and economics, history is his favorite subject and he tries to make his class very interesting by playing games and giving assignments that are fun.

"I like to be interesting, and have the students understand fundamental concepts of history."

When asked what he thinks of his students, his reply was "I try and think of them as individuals."

*Jackie Swift*



### **It's a New Year!**

Moving the books to his room, Mr. Price gets ready for another school year of U.S. History.



*His dedication to teaching means taking positions of teacher, coach, Dean, AD, but Weiland's first interest?*

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## It's Science

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A bit of Lowell High School trivia. What teacher of 21 years has been Dean of Students, Athletic Director, and held several coaching positions?

Not Sure? Try Mr. William Weiland, currently teaching biology and general science.

Since graduating from Indiana State University, Mr. Weiland, an "avid" sports fan", has done just about everything. He's taught junior high school physical education, senior high health, biology, general science, and physical education. Outside of school, Weiland has

coached varsity basketball for two years, junior varsity for seven years, and baseball for five years.

"I enjoy seeing kids progress," said Weiland, married and father of three, explaining his dedication to teaching.

*Sarah Langmaid*



### Step by Step

In his general science class, Mr. Weiland goes over the procedure for an experiment with class members.

### A Closer Look

Science students can make use of the latest equipment to explore the world they live in.





ROTC

## Service in all forms

Think of 21 years in the service. Who do you think of? Think of 15 years of dedication to the students and the community. Think of . . . Sergeant Gayfield. Sergeant Gayfield served 21 years in the service before retiring. But retirement didn't mean quite what it's supposed to be for Sergeant Gayfield. He retired from the service — to teach 15 years of ROTC at LHS.

"I had 21 years. I was entitled to retirement. I came here because, every year, getting the students to make the accomplishments is worth it. Teachers don't make any accomplishments — it's the students that do that."

And what does he plan to do after his SECOND retirement? Retire, of course!

"I have nothing definite planned other than to tend my garden, mow my grass . . . and play a little golf!"

*Sarah Langmaid*



### Whirlybird Ride

Through the efforts of Sgt. Gayfield and Major Rineheert, ROTC students were able to see Lowell from a helicopter.



### Individual Attention

Major Rineheert gives some individual attention while answering a question of one of his Aerospace students.

*To spread the culture,  
the titles of teacher,  
club adviser, traveller  
and cook all apply when*

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# It's Languages

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French teacher, travel agent, French Club sponsor, mother, and wife are jobs that keep Mrs. Nancy Carter always on the go.

Mrs. Carter began her busy career as a French/English major at Indiana University.

"I became interested in French through reading literature containing many French expressions," Mrs. Carter explained.

In her free time, Mrs. Carter enjoys traveling to France and other various parts of the world. She prides herself on her gourmet cooking, especially French cuisine,

and singing soprano in her church choir.

She would like to see many opportunities reinstated at LHS.

"I'd like there to be French scholarships awarded. Also, I feel that students taking upper level classes should receive more credits for their work," said Mrs. Carter.

Carter is pleased with the growth of the French curriculum.

"I do not feel we are only sound in numbers, but academically sound as well."

*Erika Seydel, Melinda Worthinger*



#### Salud!

Student teacher Dana Socci joins with Keith Hefner, foreign exchange student Bettina Kluge and Vicki Hall for a small fiesta.



#### Let's Discuss It

Going over some plans to enrich the foreign language program, Mrs. Mills states her position while Mrs. Allen listens.



#### Listen Up!

In the midst of doing lab activities with her class, Mrs. Carter pauses to give some instructions on an oral activity.

#### Job Well Done

The annual flower sale by the Spanish Club requires many hours of organizing and tagging which Michelle Koppen took part in.



## Check your oil?



Twenty years ago, Mr. Blanchard started teaching in an old, country barn across the street from Hardings. Now his Auto Tech. class is out behind the high school.

Mr. Blanchard's two auto classes follow a staggered schedule, with one beginning at 8:30 and the other starting at 12:30. Each class is three hours long and the students usually spend their first hour working on book work in the classroom. The last two hours are spent out in the shop actually working on the cars and buses of the corporation.

Mr. Blanchard enjoys his work with his students. It's a job that's always full of fun and excitement and many different challenges.

The students in the shop and Mr. Blanchard have a very special relationship. They all believe the class is a base for their future and what they learn is going to stick with them throughout their lives.

"VICA is the best class this school has ever offered because it teaches what the books and classwork never do and this will help us more in the future," said Jim Anderson.

Jennifer Morrow




### Hands On!

Busy at work, Greg Faverty uses the skills that he has learned from class to restore his Camaro.

### Changing Oil!

While using his mechanical abilities, Todd White gets covered with grease.





*His awards are many,  
and so are the rewards,  
but to Kussy "immediate"  
is the key to success when*

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## It's Tech. Ed.

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Eighteen years is quite a while to be working in one school but Mr. Kussy has done it and he's doing a good job.

Mr. Kussy teaches Tech Ed. Survey, Power and Transportation, and Automotive Mechanics. He also repairs the computers.

In 1983 Mr. Kussy was chosen Meritorious Teacher of the year by Indiana's Industrial Ed. Association. In March 1984, he was chosen Teacher of the Month by the Indiana Teacher's Association.

Mr. Kussy enjoys working with the staff and the students in his

classes.

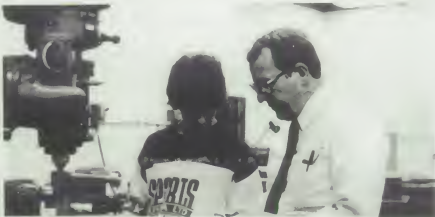
"If students want to learn, it makes my job easier", said Mr. Kussy.

Kussy believes he has the ability to view everything from both sides and that is why he has such a good relationship with his students.

Kussy believes everyone should take an automotive class because it's important that everyone knows the immediate skills.

"If a student learns to change oil, then that's immediate", said Kussy.

*Jennifer Morrow*



### Helping Out!

Mr. Kussy works with his P&T class and shows them the basics of car repair.

### This One Will Work Better!

Mr. Kane instructs one of his students on the vertical mill procedures.



*Whether it's  
bugs or birds,  
cats or people,  
to the department*

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# It's Art!

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"You want to do bugs or birds?" Mrs. Anderschok questions Rachael Ailes.

"Better do birds," quickly replies Anderschok.

If you had one of Mrs. Anderschok's Basic Art classes, you'd understand she was asking Rachael about what she was going to draw.

Her unique teaching attitude and her ability to be a real person in front of her students is what makes her more than your run-of-the-mill art teacher.

"The class has an open concept to it and the students not only have to learn self-discipline to get their work done, but also pride in what they have done and I'm here to help

them do that," commented Anderschok.

Out of the classroom, Mrs. Anderschok brushes up on her painting skills by attending graduate classes at Purdue. But she admits she has learned more from her art class than any college course.

"In my eight years here, I have taught the students and myself the art of painting and perfection," bragged Anderschok.

So whether it be in her class or by her canvas, Mrs. Anderschok is never too far from the thing she loves — her art.

*Kara Dokupil*



#### **An Artistic View**

Mrs. Anderschok watches her class carefully as they begin sketching out their dream houses.

#### **Watch Out Van Gogh**

Paying close attention to details, junior Susan Langmaid designs her own work of art.





Home Ec.

## Men can cook, too!

Men making aprons and baking brownies? It's possible if you're in Mrs. Brownell's Living on Your Own Class.

"In some respects the boys are better at Home Ec.; they listen more carefully and try harder," commented Brownell.

Even though the boys try harder, it doesn't mean everything goes their way.

"I remember Kendall Garrison ironing his apron and burning a hole through it!" chuckled Brownell.

Mrs. Brownell feels that any of the many Home Ec. classes would give students a better awareness of what lies ahead.

"I encourage people to take the classes to get a better understanding of themselves and others and so they'll have some knowledge of the outside world," added Brownell.

With males in the kitchen and in the sewing room, Mrs. Brownell can now truly say that Home Ec. is no longer a woman's world.

Kara Dokupil



### Whip It Up

Vigorously stirring the meat to keep it from burning, senior Ed Stryzek tries very hard to prove that men are cooks too.



### Careful Measurements

Two eggs, one cup water and a box of brownie mix is all seniors Laurie Ryder and Sherrie Simale need to bake up a fluffy batch of brownies.

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## Joined together by interest, location

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For the second year in a row the journalism and M.E.R.I.T. classes are doing quite well working side by side in many ways. They have classrooms that are next to each other and they have made valuable decisions together.

This year's journalism staff consists of 15 girls who put together the newspaper and the yearbook. The M.E.R.I.T. class helped decide on this year's yearbook cover and the theme. Working together was a lot of fun when the classes decided to have holiday parties.

The M.E.R.I.T. class has worked on the Wednesday night live broadcasts and their videotaped presentations.

The classes have had fun working side by side and both classes have benefited greatly from each other.

*Erin McCracken*



### Picking Through

Looking for the precise picture, Erin McCracken asks yearbook editor Mindy Eaton for some advice.

### Putting Things Together

Working in the Graphic Arts Room, using the light table, newspaper editor Amanda Mitchell pastes-up the next newspaper layout.



**Work, Work, Work**

Researching Satanic cults, Chris Leininger, Jeff Kelley and Beth Seerie sort through stacks of library books.



**Speaking Live**

During "Wednesday Night Live," Pat Devine and Beth Seerie re-enact a news broadcast on German war crimes.

**Lean on Me**

Stimulating a teen suicide Hot Line for Merit, Amy Hine converses with Heather Hauemann.

### Strutting with Style

During Homecoming half-time activities, the band, led by Shelli Funston and Matt Fuller, show off their talents to the crowd.

### in the Limelight

A single spotlight shines on the talents of the choir as they perform at their annual spring concert.



### Up Close

Choir members Maurissa Afanador and Shawn Wietbrock reach out with their voices and personalities during a choir production number.



### Done with Feeling

Sharing special feelings with the audience, Swing Choir member, Tim Goldman, brings the lyrics of the song to life.



*Her talents and experience  
have taken her far professionally,  
but she judges LHS students,  
to be the best around when*

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## It's Music

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The freedom and creativity of music have long attracted Mrs. Rebecca Osborn to choose this art for her career. She grew up playing the piano and involving herself in school and church performances.

Mrs. Osborn comes to Lowell with a variety of teaching experiences.

"There is a lot of talent at LHS, just as much as at any high school I've taught. But, there is one difference — the quality of education the students receive in the Middle School," said Osborn.

As a member of the Music Department, Osborn has many goals for the future, both personal and pro-

fessional.

"I'd like to cut down the size of the A Cappella Choir and make it an even more finely tuned group of individuals. In addition, it would be helpful to the students and myself to establish Swing Choir in the school day curriculum," Osborn said.

One thing she wouldn't change, however, is the cooperation among members of the department.

"Mr. Stout, Mrs. Ciochina and I have a good working relationship. Without each other, the students are the ones who suffer."

Melinda Wortinger



**Keeping Up the Spirit**  
The Pep Band was a welcome addition to the fan support during basketball season.



#### Get In Shape!

A military representative talks to P.E. classes about the importance of the President's Physical Fitness Program.

#### Student to Teacher

After attending school as a student, Mr. Renn returns as a teacher. "Lowell is a nice school to teach in because there isn't many discipline problems and the kids are enjoyable."

#### Forward . . . 2 . . . 3 . . . 4 . . .

Freshmen stretch out before going on with daily activities in P.E.



### Splash!

Even though swimming is a required course for P.E. classes, Mychelle Cole mixes work with fun.



*He returns to LHS  
as a teacher, coach,  
and example to others  
that sports equal life.*

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## It's Phys. Ed.

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Coming from a family of teachers, Mr. Renn shows that the apple doesn't fall far from the tree." Having an interest in both education and athletics made it an easy decision to become a physical education teacher. Renn believes P.E. should be structured to emphasize physical fitness with a look to a lifetime of sport activities.

Most of you know him as just a P.E. teacher but Mr. Renn is really a historical figure for Lowell; he is a returning alumni of this school with great athletic attributes.

When he is not teaching health,

fresh P.E., I & D, or I & D for Athletes he is busy with coaching either football, wrestling, or track.

Between all of that there isn't much time for himself, so in order to stay in shape, he works out with the students to show he believes in what he teaches. He feels that working with them provides a good role model.

With that kind of idealism it shows that he is really "no ordinary slave driver."

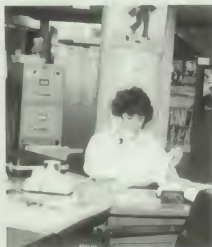
*Erika Seydel*

### Technology Simplified

The computer has become a valuable tool in both the library and the AV center. Mrs. Stephan catalogs new arrivals with the aid of her Apple IIe.

### Future Plans

With plans to further develop the library for both student and faculty use, Mr. Gresh goes over a list of recent purchases with Dr. Schuster, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum.




### Researching Made Easier

It's not uncommon to find Mrs. Berg helping students locate materials for their class projects by phoning other libraries.



### Computer Competency

A student like Dave Hansen could now use one of the computers made available to students in the library this year.



*With computers whirring away,  
technology finds a home in the*

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# Media Center

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**Definition of LHS "old" library —**  
A grave site for old yellow books  
including such classics as *Pat  
Boone's Guide to Dating*.

**Definition of LHS "new-wave" li-  
brary —** Five humming Apple Com-  
puters, a computerized combination  
card index and check-out system,  
and new furniture.

**That's right — new furniture.** This  
is the start of the library's make  
over, a clever plan to make the li-  
brary more than a warehouse for old  
books, but a place where students  
can gain unlimited access to all the  
latest books, files, disks, and pro-  
grams.

To help students get access to all  
this material, the school purchased

a new computer called the "Circula-  
tion Plus", a terminal which will act  
as a check-out system, card cata-  
log, and book reserver.

"I feel that this new computer will  
allow students to get accurate infor-  
mation faster," commented Mr.  
Gresh.

In addition to this hardware, there  
have also been five personal com-  
puters for students to use whenever  
they need to.

"Lately, there have been more  
students in the library because of  
the computers," observed Mrs.  
Berg.

*Kara Dokupil*



## **Broadening Our Horizons**

Our school library organized a field trip for  
junior English classes to the Lowell Public  
Library. Here Mrs. Berkey explains some of  
the features of the downtown library.

Cooks

## Over 450 served



The cooks serve about 450 students daily. Sometimes it becomes a guessing game for head cook, Mrs. Nichols, to figure out how much food they should make for that day because she doesn't want to run out before everyone is served.

The cooks enjoy seeing the students come through the line each day and when the students are friendly and polite, it makes the cooks enjoy their job even more.

Most aggravating to the cooks is when students won't try anything new. Many students just seem to want to stick with hamburgers.

"I do think it would be nice if the students would try the food before making cracks but I also realize it's a tradition from when I was in school to say you hate the school food," said Mrs. Jackson.

Next time you're in the lunch line trying to decide what you want, give the ladies behind the counter a smile and a "Thanks"; you just might make her job a little more enjoyable and your tray a little heavier.

*Jennifer Morrow*



### Lending a Helping Hand

Mornings are a busy time for the cooks so Mrs. Jillison appreciates the help from Mrs. Carlson as they prepare lunch.

### Setting Up

The cooks set up the salad bar for the students and the staff.





*Fix-it-man or emcee —  
Holt has done it all as*

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## Custodian

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He's not only the chief maintenance man, but he's an emcee at the pep sessions, a car mechanic and, sometimes, a music director. That's right it's Don Holt.

Holt has been working for Tri-Creek School Corporation for three years and in those years, he's not only fixed your locker or changed a light in one of your classrooms, he's also been a friend to the students.

"The kids here are what makes everything worthwhile," said Holt.

He seems to be happy at Lowell and he has tried just about every-

thing. He has gone from working with the astronauts at Cape Kennedy to singer/songwriter and now maintenance person. His philosophy is to always keep trying and taking a shot at everything you want.

"The only limits you have are the ones you put on yourself," said Holt.

As you can see, he has set no limits on how far he can go. The only limit he has right now it to be happy with what he is doing.

*Jennifer Morrow*



**Stay Calm!**  
Emcee Don Holt quiets the crowd at one of the pep sessions

**Fix It**  
Don Holt does many things in this school, and sauder the chair together is just the beginning.



## Would you believe?

And they said it couldn't be done. The medical experts said men would never be able to carry a baby throughout a pregnancy term, but a possible breakthrough may have come when attendance secretary Mrs. Daley, was handed a note one afternoon written by a boy's mother requesting the excusing of his absence due to "morning sickness."

Excuses, excuses. The staff at LHS has heard everything imaginable from desperate students trying to "save their skin."

Take tardies, for instance. The most common excuses are car breakdowns or dangerous road conditions. But being trapped in a bedroom by a mad dog? This one was attempted by two boys trying to explain their late arrival to an incredulous Mrs. Daley.

Then there are ditches during free hours when students attempt to re-enter the building unobtrusively through the shop doors, only to stare open-mouthed at a staff member who is standing there raising a questioning eyebrow.

The classic excuses for this one are, "Some people pushed me out the door and wouldn't let me back in," or "I was just going to leave and come in around the other side," said Assistant Principal Tom Johnson.

One student has even devised a tale to tell after being caught smoking in the school building, which definitely took some quick-thinking and creativity.

The student looked surprised at the fact that there was a cigarette in his hand; he looked at the person who had caught him. Taking a deep breath, he smiled innocently.

Then in a valiant effort, he said, "Some guy just handed it (the cigarette) to me and walked off. What was I supposed to do with it?"



### Excusable?

Reading students' excuses, Mrs. Daley counts how many absences with valid reasons are excused.



### Organization

After taking registration money from the students, Mrs. Tilton writes out a receipt.

### Just Then . . .

In the middle of typing, Mrs. Kaaparian takes a phone call and then checks appointments for the administration.





#### Always Busy

Answering the phone, taking messages and helping students is Mrs. St. Pierre's daily routine.

#### Keeping Things Straight

At the end of the day, Mrs. Hansen puts back all the science files in A pod.



*Short on time, long on jobs,  
it's all in the day's work for*

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## Secretaries, aides

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Busy is a word that describes Mrs. Daley's daily routine from 7:30-4:00. for 19 years she's been active in our high school, first as an aide in B and D pods for eight years; then she was promoted to work upstairs for 11 straight years.

Everyone would expect to hear that she's the lady upstairs that gives out tardies but actually she does more than that terrible job. As secretary to the Dean, she has secretarial duties, but she also dispenses medication and basically

makes sure everything runs smoothly.

In addition to her "school" work, she has six children but still finds time for extra-curricular activities.

The hardest part about her job is finding enough time in the day to get everything done.

She has her own philosophy: "You find time for what you enjoy doing."

*Erin McCracken*



## His work is never done

The title of assistant may not seem very important but when the title is Assistant Principal, it means a very busy and demanding schedule for Mr. Johnson.

He is responsible for scheduling students and staff. This job keeps him busy from the end of March until the middle of August. He also is in charge of scheduling all school and club activities, and keeping the building running smoothly.

His job also requires him to be chairman of the Curriculum Committee which meets once a month to discuss matters of curriculum and academic and vocational programs.

Lastly, Johnson also has to deal with discipline problems. He tries very hard to have a positive attitude with a student who at the moment has a negative one.

After seven years of being the Assistant Principal, would Mr. Johnson like to be the principal?

"No burning desire. I think if the opportunity would ever come up, my feelings would be that the job is too demanding," said Johnson.

Jackie Swift




### What's Wrong Now?

Looking very serious, Mr. Johnson listens as Don Holt, maintenance man, explains a building problem.

### Kicking Back

At the end of a dance, Mr. Johnson explains the clean-up procedure to the janitor.





*Other people's problems  
make her happy to give*

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# Guidance

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"It's a very nerve wracking job," said Ms. Greulich, guidance counselor, of her job. She spends most of her time up in the office with students, or answering phone calls from graduated students, and parents. In between her schedule, she also does her paper work.

Ms. Greulich says she enjoys trying to help students with their problems, but every once in a while she feels depressed if she can't help them.

"I love finding out that I helped a student to learn how to deal with a problem," said Ms. Greulich. "Being a guidance counselor seems to fulfill my needs that want to help the students when they have a problem," said Ms. Greulich.

She also helped in the Impact Program, after four days of training

working in small groups, learning new information, and learning to understand herself and others.

For the Academic Decathlon, she organized the team, and arranged and sat through the study sessions, and took the team to competition.

Ms. Greulich is from southern Indiana, from a small town called Tell City and graduated from Indiana University. She likes Lowell High School because she has opportunities for new ideas.

"I like Lowell High school because they have good and dedicated teachers," said Ms. Greulich. "I feel happy when students come to me."

*Jackie Swift*



#### **Many Duties**

Previously a counselor at the Middle School, Ms. Greulich has been a high school counselor for five years. She also coordinates our Impact Program.

#### **Offering Guidance**

In her office, Ms. Greulich helps junior Jackie Swift with her schedule for next year.

# Pedestrians Crossing

**C'**mon, Tinkerbell, give me a big smile!"

The school photographer — he almost has the power to make or break us. For instance, if he's feeling nice, he just might decide to erase that protruding zit on the nose of the unfortunate student who was unpleasantly surprised by its arrival on the day of pictures. Nevertheless, LHS students withstood the stress of picture day, as they did with many other events.

Just by looking at the pictures in the class sections, outsiders would not receive a true picture of what LHS students are like. Behind the smiling, or not-so-smiling faces, lies an enormous amount of individualism, making for a very different student body.

The faces in the album don't reveal, for example, the swings of emotion at sporting events. There were the tears of joy at the basketball team's defeat of rival Crown Point but there was also disappointment etched on faces at our Sectional loss.

The photographer couldn't capture the looks of fear and disbelief when again this year we marched outside for what seemed to be a routine fire drill but found instead a real fire in the locker bay set by one of our students.

No picture in this section accurately reflects the everyday life of a Lowell student — the happiness, the boredom, the excitement, or the frustration each one of us experiences on a daily basis. That's the real Lowell that isn't seen in these posed pictures.

You can't judge a book by its cover — the old adage still stands true.

*Amanda Mitchell*



Album



Unposed and relaxed, junior Tammy Loveless reacts to the camera in her U.S. History class.





Seniors     1     2     3



Senior boys advertise their spirit at a pep session.

**Scott A. Adams**—Computer Club, 9-10; Tech Ed Club, 9-12; Wrestling, 11-12. **James Anderson**—VICA, 11-12; Freshman Boys' Basketball; Freshman Football; Varsity Football. **B. Keith Asbury**—Freshman Boys' Basketball; Freshman Baseball; JV Baseball.



**Paul Atherton**. **Ruth Joy Barnhill**—Choir, 10-12; OEA, 12; SADD, 9; Sunshine Club, 12; Swing Choir, 11. **Doug Basham**—Freshman Baseball; JV Baseball; Varsity Baseball.



**Mark Bean**. **Laura Be-dolan**. **Yolanda Benavides**—Choir, 9-12; L Club, 12; Spanish Club, 11; Theater Arts, 9; Freshman, JV, Varsity Football, Manager.





**Missy Biggs.** Susan Ann Billard—French Club, 9-12; JV Cheerleader; L. Club, 12; Varsity Cheerleader, 11-12, Captain, 12; Girls' Swimming, 9; Softball, 10-12; Homecoming Court, 11-12. **Brian P. Black**—Computer Club, 9; Tech Ed Club, 9-12, Treas., 12.



**Carrie Blink.** Tracy Ann Boer—Concert, Pep Band, 9-11; FEA, 10; Lowellian, 10, 12; OEA, 11-12, Treas., 12. **Doug Bradley.**



**Tim Breckenridge**—Boys' Track, 10. **Mike Briggs**—Boys' Track, 9-10; Cross Country, 10. **Nadine Brindley**—L Club, 9-12, Sec., 11, 12; NHS, 11-12; Spanish Club, 10-12, Sec., 12; Student Council, 10-12, VP, 10; Girls' Swimming, 9-12, Capt., 12; Girls' Track, 9-11.



**Bobbielt Lynn Broe**—French Club, 10; Girls' Swimming, 10, 11. **Camille Olive Brown.** **John Brugh.**



**Laura Bukent.** **Billy Joe Burns, Jr.**—Tech. Ed. Club, 10-11, Vice-Pres., 10, Pres., 11; Golf, 10-12. **Rachelle Rae Burton**—Choir, 9-12; French Club, 9; Sunshine Club, 10-12, Vice Pres., 11, Pres., 12; Theater Arts, 10-11; Girls' Track, 9-12

**Jeff Busselberg**—L. Club, 10-12; JV Baseball; Varsity Baseball; Freshman Boys' Basketball; JV Basketball; Homecoming Court, 11-12, **Angela Cale**. **Mindy Marie Call**—Freshman Girls' Volleyball.



**Marion Campbell**. **Bart R. Case**—JV Football; Varsity Football; Boys' Swimming, 9; Boys' Track, 11. **Susan M. Cermak**—FEA, 12; French Club, 9-12; OEA, 12; Theater Arts, 9-10; Football Manager, 12; Junior Miss, 12.



**Tina Conner**. **Denise M. Corning**—Varsity Football Manager, 10-11; Girls' Track, 9-10; Freshman Girls' Volleyball. **Michelle Corning**.



**Q:** *What are your plans after you graduate from high school?*

**A:** "I'm going to college, as far away from here as I can get."

Heather Strickhorn





**Leon Corns.** Theresa Ann Crotty—Pep, Marching, and Concert Band, 9-11; FEA, 9; NHS, 11; Theater Arts, 9. Tanya Cunningham.



**Ross A. Cusic**—Boys' Tennis 12; Freshman Boys' Basketball; JV Basketball; Varsity Basketball, 10-12. **Sean E. Cwik**—Band, 9-12. **Eric Dancula.**



**Kelly A. Darner.** Shelly J. Darner—Choir, 10-11; OEA, 9. **Christopher Davis**—FEA, 12; NHS, 11-12.



**Dave V. DeEspinosa**—Football 9-12. **David Manning Denney**—Concert, Jazz, and Pep Band, 9-12; Band Council, 11; THE WIZ; FUNNY GIRL; FATHER OF THE BRIDE. **Susan C. DeVine**—Freshman, JV, Varsity, Cheerleader; L Club, 12; Pep Club, 9-12; Freshman Baseball Manager.



**Tracy Deyarmin.** Kara Lynn Duncan—FEA, 12; L Club, 9-12, VP, 11; NHS, 11-12; Spanish Club, 10-12; Student Council, 10-12; Class Pres., 10-11; Girls' Swimming, 9-12, Capt., 12; Hoosier Girls' State, 11. **Kelly Eakins.**



**Shawn M. Ebert**—VICA, 11-12. **Denise Marie Echterling**—French Club, 10; OEA, Historian, 11, President, 12; Pep Club, 10; Theater Arts, 9-10; Girls' Tennis, 11. **Robin Erb**.



**Greg Faverty**. **Julie Feddeler**. **Tina Feddeler**—OEA, 9-12, Reporter, 10; Girls' Tennis, Manager, 9.



**Vicki L. Fitch**—L Club, 9-12, President, 12; Girls' Swimming, 9-12; Girls' Track, 9-11. **Michelle Florence**. **Bonnie J. Ford**—Foreign Exchange Club, 11; French Club, 9-12; OEA, 11; Girls' Swimming, 11.



**Michael E. Forgey**—Computer Club, 9-10; Boys' Track, 11; Cross Country, 11. **Stephanie Fox**. **Richard S. Frederick**—Varsity Football, Captain, 12; Freshmen Football; JV Basketball; Varsity Basketball.



**Renee Marie Fredericks**—Spanish Club, 9-12. **Christina Fry**. **Shelli Ann Funston**—Band, 9-12, Drum Major; Choir, 10-12; Foreign Exchange Club, 11-12, VP, 11, Pres., 12; NHS, 11-12; Spanish Club, 9-12; Sec., 11, Pres., 12; Swing Choir, 11-12; Thespians, 10-12.



Taking their job of decorating the Devils' Commons seriously, Robert Taylor and Pat McIntosh put the finishing touches on Mr. Beeching.



**Tina Marie Glassman**—Choir, 9-12; French Club, 9-10; Swing Choir, 11. **Joel Goss.** **Lynn Renee Grant**—Treas., 12; French Club, 9-12; L Club, 11-12; Theater Arts, 9-12; Thespians, 11-12; Girls' Tennis, 9-12; Freshmen, JV Volleyball.



**John Gray**—L Club, 12; Varsity Football, Captain, 12; Freshmen Football; Freshmen Boys' Basketball; JV Basketball. **Denise Gregar.** **Tracie Griffith.**



**Douglas Grzych**—Freshmen Football; Varsity Football. **Ray Haake**—FEA, 9-12, VP, 9, Pres., 12. **Victoria Grace Hall**—Foreign Exchange Club, 12; NHS, 11-12; Spanish Club, 12; Student Council, 11-12, Pres., 12; Freshmen Girls' Volleyball, Capt.; Jets Team, 12.

**Lori L. Haluska**—Choir, 11-12; Sunshine Club, 11-12; Theatre Arts, 11-12; Thespians, 12; Girls' Basketball, 9; Girls' Volleyball, 9; Softball, Manager, 11; Powder Puff, 9-11. **Chris Hammersley**. **Melissa Lee Hammersley**—OEA, 9-12.



**Jenlle Harper**—FEA, 11; French Club, 9-10; Freshman Cheerleader; L Club, 9-12; Girls' Swimming, 9-11. **Tonia Hatch**. **Kevin R. Hayden**—FFA, 9-12; L Club, 11-12; Tech. Ed. Club, 10-12, Sec./Treas., 10-11; Boys' Track, 10-12; Girls' Volleyball, Manager, 12.



**Rich Hellman**. **Rich Hill**. **Wendy Jo Hitzeman**—French Club, 10-12; L Club, 11-12; NHS, 11-12; Boys' Track, Manager, 11; Girls' Volleyball, Manager, 9-11; Girls' Basketball, Manager, 10.



**Tom Hudak**. **Douglas Allen Hurst**—Band, 9-12; Theater Arts, 9; Boys' Swimming, 9-12; Golf-10. **Deanne Janik**.



**Lisa Johnson**. **Stefany Jones**. **Raquel Juda**.





Jeff Justice. Jeffery Kelley. Joe Kenney.



Leon Kenney. Victoria Ann Kinclus—Foreign Exchange Club, 11-12; French Club, 10-12; Lowellian, 10-11, Editor, 11; NHS, 11-12; Stud. Council, 10-12, VP, 12. Bettina Kluge—French Club, 12; Spanish Club, 12; Theatre Arts, 12; Gymnastics, 12.



Michelle Cara Koppen—Foreign Exchange Club, 10-12, Sec., 11; L Club, 12; NHS, 11-12; Spanish Club, 9-12, Sec. 9, Treas., 10, VP, 11-12; Golf, 11; Gymnastics, 9-12, Capt., 12; Junior Miss, 12. Fred Kroll. Kelly Lamken.

**Q:** *How have you changed since you were a freshman?*

**A:** "I learned that democracy has no place in school."

Steve Metz

"I cared when I was a freshman."

Pat McIntosh



On a field trip, Kyle Weaver tunes in to his own world to pass the time.

At the same table in the North Commons, Rich Heilmen studies while Sue Billard and Robin Schmidt catch up on the news.



Dan Lapina. Tim Layer Jr.  
Curt Lechner.



Chris Leininger. Brett  
Leonard. Reggie Llewellyn.



David Lucas. Dan Mar-  
es—Theatre Arts, 9-10;  
Academic Decathlon, 12.  
Mark Massl—L Club, 10-  
12; Tech. Ed. Club, 10-12;  
Tennis, 9-10; Boys' Track,  
12; Golf, 9-11, Captain 11.





**Lynne Mates.** Jennifer Ann Mathias—Choir, 9-12, Pres. 12; Swing Choir, 10-12; Thespians, 9-12; "Spirit of Jr. Miss," 12; UP THE DOWN STAIRCASE; MAME; THE WIZ; GLIMPS-ES; FUNNY GIRL; FATHER OF THE BRIDE. Candice J. Maylath—Cheerleader, 9-10; Student Council 11; Volleyball, 10.



**Elizabeth McCarthy**—French Club, 11-12; Cheerleader, 9-12; NHS, 11-12; Gymnastics, 9-11; Jr. Miss, 12. Donald Paul McCormick—L Club, 12; Football, 9-12, Captain, 12. Erin E. McCracken—Devil's Advocate, 11-12; Lowellian, 11-12; Sunshine Club, 12.



**Tabitha Lynn McDaniel**—Sunshine Club, 9-11. Pat McMillan. Dawn McNeely.



**Lisa Merkel.** Rusty Ann Merrills—Cheerleader, 9-10, Captain, 9-10; L Club, 12; Student Council, 9-11, Vice Pres., 11; Volleyball, 9-12, Captain, 12; Homecoming Court, 9-12, Homecoming Queen, 12. Steve C. Metz—Tech. Ed. Club, 11-12, Pres., 12; THE WIZ.



**Michelle Lynn Meyer**—FEA, 11; OEA, 12; Student Council, 10-11. Debbie Michiels. Angeline M. Mikolajczak—FEA, 11; FHA, 11-12, Sec. 11-12; French Club, 9-12, Sec. 11, Vice Pres., 12.



**Becky Milde**—FEA, 12; French Club, 9-12; OEA, 11-12; Spanish Club, 12. **Amanda S. Mitchell**—Devils' Advocate, 11-12; Editor, 12; L Club, 11-12; Lowellian, 11-12; Girls' Tennis, 10; Girls' Basketball, 9-12, Capt., 11. **Pamela Jean Mitchell**—French Club, 10; OEA, 11-12, Vice Pres., 12.

**Jennifer Ann Morrow**—Publications, 12, Photog.; FEA, 12; OEA, 12. **Miki Morrow**—French Club, 9-12; Girls' Track, 9-12; Gymnastics, 9-11, Capt., 11; Girls' Volleyball, 9-12. **Brian Moser**—Publications, 10-11, Photog.; NHS, 11-12, VP, 12; Spanish Club, 10-11, Treas., 11; Stud. Council, 9-12, Jr. Class VP, Senior Class Pres.

**Sandy Lee Mueller**—Freshman Girls' Basketball; JV Girls' Basketball, 10; Softball, 10-12. **Robert Myers**. **Ron Myers**.



**Q:** *What is the best thing about being a senior?*

**A:** "Being king of the hill and you can tell other people what to do."

Jeff Nelson



**Jeffery Scott Nelson**—FFA, 9, 11-12, VP, 12; Tech. Ed. Club, 10; VICA, 11-12, Treas., 11, Pres. 12; Boys' Swimming, 9-12, Capt. 12; Freshman Baseball; JV Baseball, 10-11. **R. Paul Nestor. Michelle S. Northcutt**—French Club, 9-12; Girls' Track, 9-12.



**John Oleson**—VICA, 11-12. **Peggy Ann Paczkowski**—Choir, 10-11; FEA, 9-11; OEA, 11-12, Historian, 12; Sunshine Club, 9-12; Theatre Arts, 9-11. **Lee Parks**—Choir, 9-12; Thespians, 11-12; Golf, 12, Capt.; Girls' Basketball, 11-12; 1987 Junior Miss, Performing Arts Winner; L Club, 10-12.



**Tracy A. Parrish**—Choir, 9-12; French Club, 9-12; National Honor Society, 11-12; MAME; THE WIZ; FUNNY GIRL. **Jon Percy. Allen Peterson.**



**Scott Elder Pflughoeft**—Band, 9-11; Concert Choir, 9-10; French Club, 12; NHS, 12; Wrestling, 9-12. **Jeffery Robert Pickett**—L Club, 10-12; Football, 9-12; Freshman Baseball; JV Baseball, 11. **Thomas M. Pulley**—FFA, 9.

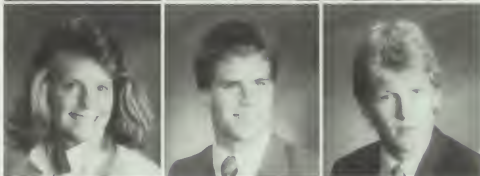


**David A. Purkey**—FFA, 9-12, VP, 11; Freshman Baseball; JV Baseball, 11. **Candace Jo Quale**—Band, 9-11; Devils' Advocate, 12; Lowellian, 10, 12; Sunshine Club, 9-12, VP, 12; Thespians, 9-12; Junior Miss, 12, Creative Talent Award; FUNNY GIRL, Student Director. **Marie Ruthann Rabe**—OEA, 12; Sunshine Club, 9-12.

**Rhonda Remensnik. David Richardson. Diana Tamara Richardson.**



**Jennifer L. Rogers**—FEA, 10-12; Foreign Exchange Club, 11-12; NHS, 11-12; Spanish Club, 10-12; Theater Arts, 9-12; Thespians, 11-12; Girls' Tennis, 10-12; Gymnastics, 10; Junior Miss, Poise and Appearance. **Anthony B. Rokosz**—Wrestling, MVP, 11. **Christopher Rosenthal**—Tech. Ed. Club, 12; Freshman Football; Freshman Boys' Basketball.



**Kevin Rosenthal. Philip R. Rothrock. Scott Roush.**



**Jason S. Rowe. John Rulley. Deborah Russell.**



**Laurie E. Ryder**—Band, 9; FEA, 12; Foreign Exchange Club, 9-12; Pom Pons, 12; SADD, 10; L Club, 12; Theater Arts, 12; Flag Corps, 9, 11-12; Girls' Track, 10-11; Academic Decathlon, 11-12. **Steven Santy**—NHS, 11-12; Jets Team, 12. **Janice Scheckel.**





Seniors find a common meeting place in the Devils' Commons during a break from dancing at the Homecoming Dance.



**Melissa Jo Scheldt**—Band, 10-12; NHS, 11-12; Spanish Club, 11-12, Sec., 10, Pres., 11, Treas., 12; Theatre Arts, 9-12; Junior Miss, 2nd Runner-Up, Scholastic Achievement Award. **Jeff Schelwe**—Tech. Ed. Club, 9-12; VICA, 11-12, Sec., 12. **Robin Schmidt**—French Club, 9-12; L Club, 9-12; Girls' Swimming, 9-12; Girls' Track, 9-11.



**Paul S. Schrader**—Theatricals, 11-12. **Melissa A. Schutz**—Foreign Exchange Club, 9, 11-12; French Club, 10-12; Theatre Arts, 10-12; Merit Scholar, 11. **Elizabeth Bridget Searle**—FEA, 11-12; L Club, 11-12, Pres.; Girls' Varsity Volleyball, 11-12.



**Cynthia L. Shell**—French Club, 9-10; Theatre Arts, 9; Girls' Tennis, 9-10. **Janine I. Smith**. **Jennifer Smith**.

**Michael Smith. Laurie  
Spry. Terese Ellen Starr.**



**Darla Renae Stepp. Gina  
Michelle Steward—**Publications, 12; Photographer; FEA, 12; L. Club, 12; Spanish Club, 11; Student Council, 12; Volleyball, 9-12. **Keith Thomas Stewart**—Band, 9-12; Jazz Band, 9-12; Computer Club, 9; Thespians, 11-12.



**Shannon Stiener. Danette  
Renee Stoner. Vic Strain.**



**Heather L. Strickhorn**—French Club, 9-12; L Club, 10-12; NHS, 11-12; Cross Country, 9-12, Capt., 12; Girls' Track, 9-10. **Edward Stryzek. Kristin Nicole Sturgill**—L Club, 11-12; Girls' Basketball, 9-12; Girls' Volleyball, 9; Softball, 10-12.



**Brent Swift. Janet Lynn  
Sypult**—Gymnastics, 9-10; JV Girls' Volleyball, 11; Softball, 10-11. **Caren Szczerbik**—FEA, 12; Spanish Club, 12; Cross Country, Captain, 12; Girls' Tennis, 9-12, Captain; Girls' Volleyball, 9-11, Captain, 11.





**Laura Ann Talarek**—Choir, 9-12; Foreign Exchange Club, 9-11, VP, Pres.; Spanish Club, 9-11; Swing Choir, 12; Thespians, 10-12; Freshman Girls' Volleyball. **Robert Taylor**—FEA, 12; FFA, 9-12, Pres.; VICA, 11-12; Boys' Track, 11. **Chuck Thiele**.



**Kerry Christine Thompson**—ROTC Commander, 12; Sunshine Club, 9-12, Treas. 11. **Laura-Ruth Tishey**—NHS, 11-12; Stud. Council, 9-11, Sec./Treas.; Junior Miss, 1st Runner-Up, Judges' Conference Award. **Tina M. Travis**—Choir, 9-12; French Club, 9-10; Thespians, 10-12.



**Ryan Thomas Viers**—L Club, 11-12; Boys' Track, 10-12; Cross Country, 10-12; Varsity Basketball, 10-11. **Teresa Vitoux**—Girls' Basketball, 12; Girls' Volleyball, 12. **Shane R. Walker**—French Club, 9-10; L Club, 10-12; AV Crew, 10-12; Thespians, 12.

**Q:** *What was your best year?*

**A:** ■ "My sophomore year when all my friends got their drivers' license and we finally got to cruise."

Laura Bedoian

"My freshman year because everything was new."

Tracy Deyarmin



**Kyle C. Weaver**—Band, 9-12, Pit Band, 10-11; Computer Club, 9-10; French Club, 9-12, Sec./Treas., 11, Pres., 12; NHS, 11-12, Treas., 12; Student Council, 11; Theater Arts, 9-12. **Denise Ann Wernersbach.** **Dave White.**



**Todd White.** **Thomas Wisch.** **Sandi Teresa Woodke**—Band, Marching, 9; Devils' Advocate, 11; FEA, 10; French Club, 9-10; Lowellian, 10-11, Co-editor, 11; NHS, 11-12.



**Tammy Wooley.** **Michael David Wytryszczewski**—L Club, 11-12; Boys' Swimming, 10-12, Cap., 12; Boys' Tennis, 9-10; Freshmen Baseball; Varsity Baseball; Golf, 10-11, Cap., 11. **Dennis Yuhasz.**



**Jeffrey M. Zak**—L Club, 10-12; Varsity Football, Cap., 12; Freshmen Football; Freshmen Baseball; Varsity Baseball. **Teresa M. Zak**—French Club, 9-10. **Paula Lynn Zatorski**—Choir, 9-12; Devils' Advocate, 9; Lowellian, 9; Pep Club, 9; Theater Arts, 9-12; Thespians, 10-12.



**Tracy Ann ZumMallen.**





With fierce determination, Stefany Jones goes after her pumpkin at the Halloween Dance this fall.

Senior girls are ready to sign up new members during Club Sign-Up.



**Q:** *I remember when I was a freshman . . .*

**A:** "I was so scared I didn't go in the bathrooms or by the senior locker bay alone all year!"

Denise Corning

"I thought high school would never end."

Vicki Hall



# Sign In

We all leave our marks somewhere in Lowell High School, whether it be academically, athletically, theatrically, musically, artistically, or graphically on a bathroom wall. The faces on this page reflect people who have left or will leave their own personal impression on this school. Here's their chance, your chance or your friends' chance to leave their marks. They could be valuable some day.

Junior spirit runs high during a pep session.



Graduation at last for seniors Scott Pflughoeft, Bill Burns and Vickie Hall.

Relaxing after the dinner hosted by the Student Council for our Costa Rican exchange students, Rusty Bielefeld and Chris Walkowisk enjoy their drinks.

Sports brings unity to softball teammates Teress Vitoux and Daphne Ortiz.

Crowning glory for Dave Richardson and Sandi Woodke was being chosen Prom King and Queen.

Psyching up for a swim meet, Mike Wyrzyszcwski concentrates on victory.



Hello, Operator? Heather Strickhorn tries to contact home.





Watching his own progress, Jeff Zak lifts weights to get in shape for football.



In between AV work, Chuck Reeder catches up on his homework.



Bombs away! Scott Eaker attempts to douse Barb Searle at the L Club car wash.



Amidst the cluttered theatre costumes, Erin McCracken peeks out.



## *Going once, going twice — **SOLD!***

The wretched bondsman straggles up to the auctioneer's block, ball and chain dragging mercilessly behind him. To the jeering of the crowd, his eyes pleading for freedom, he is sold — for \$2.50?

The Junior Class Slave Sale was all in fun, and although slaves weren't beaten for disobeying their owners, masters were demanding.

Auctioned for \$21.10, Darcy Weller was the top money-drawer. Co-masters Ron Myers and Kendall Garrison made sure that they got their money's worth.

"During lunch, I had to carry 12 lunch trays, one at a time, to the rack. I had to get on my hands and knees and say, 'Ron and Kendall are king'; I had to tie Ron's shoes and dust the library," said Weller.

Another slave, George Trajovski, made his appearance known with the little red wagon he pulled around filled with his master's books.

Raising \$98 towards the Prom, the junior class hosted a success for participants and on-lookers alike.



## *Turnabout is fair*

Males sick of being turned down after spending hours trying to find the courage to make that fateful phone call asking a girl out could now anticipate their chance to refuse. Dates sick of emptying their wallets to girls with stomachs that seem to have no bottom when they're at an expensive restaurant, gleefully watch their dates' purses grow thinner.

Why this turnabout? It is, of course, Sadie Hawkins season. Girls ask guys and pay the way!

A tradition of the Sadie Hawkins Dance, sponsored by the junior class, is for couples to wear matching shirts and get hitched by the local "preacher."



Dressed in authentic "Sadie" garb, "Preacher" Joe Schara performs another "hitching."

## Prom chaos disrupts schedule

It was practically the only topic of conversation for weeks. Impatient students began counting down the days until Prom. It was on a Friday this year and Prom-goers could leave after a half a day to get ready for the big night. When noon on May 13 rolled around, an unruly crowd of upperclassmen rushed upstairs to the office to sign out, sending Mrs. Daley into a state of frenzy. After "officially" being released, the students stampeded their way to the parking lot, engines racing excitedly and the screaming still audible as cars raced out of the school's back lot.

Maybe it was due to the superstition attached to the date of May 13, but for many Prom-goers, the biggest excitement was the noon check-out.

"Prom was better last year," said senior Mickey Northcutt. "This year was extremely disorganized."

Others complained about the lack of order at the Innsbrook Country Club in Merrillville, site of the Prom.

One aspect few complained about, however, was the choice of King and Queen, seniors Dave Richardson and Sandi Woodke.

Junior Alfred Broe goes on the block to help juniors earn money for the Prom during the Slave Sale.

Trying desperately to keep up with the crush of students, Mrs. Daley signs out Prom-goers.





Charles Abraham  
Maurisaa Afanador  
Kriatine Ailes  
Daryl Alkire  
Sam Ambroaini  
Clinton Anderson



Nanette Anderson  
Holly Antcliff  
Jason Arlet  
Christopher Arnold  
Brett Barta  
Mark Beenes



Kenneth Belahaw  
Robert Berg  
Jonathan Blelefeld  
Richard Boer  
Ray Bowman  
Sondra Brawley



Michael Brechier  
Alfred Broe  
Barry Brown  
Jason Bruce  
Bryan Burger  
Terri Bush



Tamatha Campbell  
Teri Campbell  
John Cappadora  
Scott Carey  
Jody Carlaon  
Kimberly Carlson



Phillip Cataldo  
Jon Chrisman  
Tricia Clark  
Joel Clemons  
Katy Cook  
Edward Cormican



Lela Corning  
Andrew Cory  
Theresa Crotty  
Tony Curtia  
Laura Dancula  
Francia Davis



Jennifer Delauro  
Neal Dixon  
Sherri Dockweiler  
Kara Dokupil  
Michelle Donovan  
Scott Dubord



Krista Duncan  
Scott Eaker  
Robert Easto  
Mindy Eaton  
Beth Eickelberger  
Matthew Felder





Pamela Fetsch  
Angela Fisher  
Gwendolyn Fleener  
Kimberly Frahm  
Wendy Fuerstenberg  
Matthew Fuller

Heather Garrison  
Bethel Gentile  
Tina Glade  
Timothy Goldman  
Candace Goot  
Irene Govert

Brian Graham  
Joel Gueke  
Shelley Hall  
Traci Hamann  
Ronald Hammond  
Laura Hardwick

Michael Hayden  
Kelly Hayes  
Kim Henig  
Todd Henley  
Andre Hernandez  
William Herochik

Amy Hine  
Eric Holleman  
Christopher Hooley  
Heather Hug  
Gregory Hughes  
Keith Hughes

Kristine Huseman  
Gregory Ilko  
Laura Johnson  
Sherri Johnson  
Neil Jones  
Mark Kacius

**Q:** *What's the best thing about being a junior?*

**A:** "You have the security of being an upper classman without the worries of being a senior."

Maurissa Afanador

Lori Kaiser  
Wayne Kala  
Margo Kepes  
Tammy Kinsey  
George Klimasara  
Julie Knowlan



Donald Kontol  
James Langen  
Sarah Langmaid  
Susan Langmaid  
Jeanette Lankford  
Wendy Laaheer



Alyssa Laumeyer  
Scott Lauth  
Dustin Lawrence  
Carla Lawryer  
Jason Lewis  
Heather Lindaay



Shelly Lloyd  
Laura Loitz  
Tammy Loveless  
Larry Lucas  
James Majdak  
Kristen Martin



Julene Maryonovich  
Julie Mauk  
Michael McLean  
Moira McMillan  
Gregory McNeilly  
Thomas McNorton



Judy Milde  
Jason Miller  
Jennifer Miller  
Kyle Miller  
Michelle Miracle  
Michael Morgan



Paul Nisevich  
Penelope Oleson  
Kristi Patchett  
Darren Patchin  
Lisa Patton  
Todd Peres



Paula Peterson  
Vickie Peterson  
Alicia Phillipa  
Jeffrey Pruett  
Jim Purkey  
Sherri Radnick



John Rastovski  
Charles Reeder  
David Reeae  
James Riah  
Christina Rizzo  
Jason Robinson



**Q:** *When I am a senior, I will . . .*

**A:** "Run naked through the town of Lowell if Chuck Reeder has a C average."

Scott Eaker



Sharon Rosinko  
Laura Rowley  
Pamela Russel  
Hilary Rux-Tully  
Joseph Schara  
Robert Schmidt

John Schupp  
Barbara Searle  
Elizabeth Seberger  
Erika Seydel  
Bridget Shaffer  
Keith Sharkey

Trisha Shipley  
James Simmers  
Lisa Sizemore  
Kimberly Skorka  
Russell Slinn  
Caassandra Smith

Christine Smith  
Scott Stegenga  
Meliaaa Stevens  
Donnie Stingley  
Michelle Straka  
Cheryl Swart

Julia Swart  
Jackie Swift  
Hope Tauber  
Kasalya Taylor  
Robert Taylor  
Steven Taylor

George Trajkovski  
Thomas Travis  
Keith Trueblood  
Bryan Turner  
Chris Valtierra  
Jamie Vasko

Larry Vick  
Bonnie Warner  
Jeffrey Wein  
Darcy Weller  
George Wesslehoft  
Dwayne Whybrew



Shawn Wietbrock  
Randell Williams  
Kimberly Willison  
Christine Wilson  
Wendy Wilson  
Gary Winters



Scott Wright  
Lori Zander  
Jonathan Zarych  
Michael Zweck



**Q:** *If you could work anywhere, where would it be?*

**A:** "A modeling agency."

Lela Corning

"A stewardess for any airline."

Stacie Drew

"Lifeguard at Fort Lauderdale during spring break."

Joel Guske

"Australia."

Chuck Reeder

"Not in Lowell."

Kris Ailes

**Q:** *Where's the best place to go on a date?*

**A:** "Somewhere unexpected, like a carriage ride."

Alyssa Laumeyer

"To a Bulls' game and then out to eat somewhere unusual, like the Hard Rock or Ditka's."

Mike Brechler

"A ride on my boyfriend's Harley around Cedar Lake and then take a stroll near the lake."

Darcy Weller

"A night in the city of Paris."

John Rastovski

"Anywhere, just as long as you're with the one you like."

Mindy Eaton

"Someplace where it is not going to cost a lot of money."

Mike McLean



# Full Speed Ahead

Checking the lie of his ball, Chris Manning wants to be sure his putt goes in.



The girls of the Sophomore Powder Puff Team look like a hard group to beat in spirit.



Your freshman year is over. You've already forgotten what it was like to be called a "rhine" and push pennies. You're now a sophomore, heads above the lowly freshmen. The year is yours for the taking, so, **FULL SPEED AHEAD!**

Theatre became a part of sophomore Mindy Mader's year. Here she plays the maid in **FATHER OF THE BRIDE**.



With a style all their own, Bob Rouse, Chris Walkowiak and Rusty Bielefeld work as hosts at the Prom.

The most comfortable and popular position during class is modeled by Daphne Ortiz.



Our Costa Rican exchange students, like Giovanni, couldn't help feeling welcome with the attention of Erin Wornhoff and Julie Wagner.



As sophomore representatives, Bob Rouse and Donna Ojeda join the rest of the Homecoming Court at half-time.



Rachael Allen  
Beth Anderson  
Jennipher Anderson  
Kevin Anderson  
Robert Anderson  
Joan Ausatgen



William Backe  
David Bafia  
Karin Bakker  
Mark Banka  
Mark Barnhart  
Kristina Belt



Laura Benavidea  
Joseph Berkshire  
Joseph Bielefeld  
Deborah Boer  
Jennifer Bottiger  
Aaron Brownell



James Brugh  
Robyn Brugh  
Chris Buchanan  
Michael Buchmeier  
Richard Bunce  
Ericka Burt



Carolyn Cade  
Michael Call  
Dana Campbell  
Tracy Campbell  
Craig Carey  
Stacy Carlson



Brian Castle  
Kelly Chapman  
Delana Chavez  
Cristin Childress  
Scott Clemans  
Candice Cole



Kerrie Cole  
Kristen Conlan  
Mathew Cramer  
Amy Crone  
Carl Cullins  
Heather Davis



Robin DeGonia  
Trena Depel  
Karen DeVault  
David Dillon  
Ilija Dobrijevic  
Eric Dorris



Joseph Dugway  
Amy Echterling  
Cary Elkins  
Steven Erb  
Patrick Fablesh  
Ginger Fioretti



**Q:** *How is being a sophomore different from being a freshman?*

**A:** "You feel more accepted by the school."

Mark Leindemer



Tony Fisher  
Daniel Fitzsimons  
Michael Flatt  
Keith Foor  
Gregory Ford  
Victoria Fox

Steven Freeman  
Amy French  
Kristi Gentry  
Marcia Gerner  
Leroy Gottschalk  
Gary Green

Christine Griffith  
Jerry Hammond  
Timothy Harwell  
Rodney Hatch  
Judy Haven  
Rachael Hawkins

Marcus Hayden  
Matthew Hayden  
Keith Hefner  
Jennifer Heniff  
Peggy Henig  
Liss Henke

Norma Hertzlieb  
Maria Hertzlieb  
Jennie Hesh  
Joseph Hine  
Eric Hollister  
Jason Holman

Elick Hoover  
Michael Hudak  
Anita Hutchinson  
Glen Hutton  
Charles Ishmael  
Jennifer Jacobs

Kurt Johnson  
John Jonaitis  
Veronica Jonea  
Michael Joseforsky  
Wendy Joyce  
Chris Jusevitch



Amy Kaiser  
John Kelly  
Robert Kenney  
Carl Keaael  
Ronald Keaael  
Nicole Knoerzer



Dora Koepke  
Paula Kooistra  
Nina Kretz  
John Kubeck  
Damon Kwiecien  
Kimberly Kyle



Curt Lappie  
Michael Lee  
Timothy Leininger  
Jeremy Lemp  
Cathie Lindahl  
Marcia Love



Emmet Lovely  
Michelle Lubotina  
Mindy Mader  
Christopher Manning  
William Markul  
Guy Marsh



Daniel Marx  
Jacqueline May  
Laura McDonald  
Timothy McGinley  
Shea McMillan  
Amy McNeill



**Q :** *What was your first date like?*

**A :** "Boring because it was hard to get a conversation going with my date."

Phil Vinson



Sean McNorton  
Edward Metz  
Erica Miller  
Ronald Miller  
Chase Mitchell  
Denise Mitchell



Carrie Moore  
Joan Molte  
Brandi Nemeth  
Eric Nichols  
Andrew Nomanson  
Jennifer Noyes



Neil Ohlendorf  
Donna Ojeda  
Ethan O'Neal  
Daphne Ortiz  
Kenneth Parker  
Dennis Patz



Julie Perigo  
Jennifer Perkins  
Darren Plughoeft  
Lynn Poppe  
Jason Powers  
Tracy Powers



Phillip Purkey  
Mary Rabe  
Christine Radnick  
Michael Rae  
Theresa Reeder  
Lori Replin



Leonard Retake  
Trisha Reusze  
Jennifer Reynolda  
Jennifer Richardson  
Amy Ripley  
Thomas Rokoaz



Mark Roney  
James Rose  
Robert Rouse  
Heather Rowe  
Darren Ruley  
Gregory Russell



Jennifer Russell  
Eric Rust  
Charlotte Savich  
Tiffany Schmelter  
Carrie Schmidt  
Joseph Searle



Steven Shell  
Michael Shoemaker  
Dale Smith  
Sean Smith  
Joseph Sneed  
David Snell



Wayne Sone  
Haldi Starr  
Keith Stevens  
Karan Stryzek  
Tammy Stuppy  
Kimbarly Swarans



Michalle Swett  
Erich Swisher  
Brad Szczarbik  
Alfred Tilton  
Shawn Todd  
Louis Townsley



Rogar Towry  
Thomas Trainor  
Vasilka Trajkovski  
Shaun Travis  
Stephanie Travis  
Michelle Trowbridge



Jessa Truablood  
Michalla Turner  
Gary Vateo  
Phillip Vinson  
David Virilevich  
Julie Wagner



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Nicholas Whitacra  
Duana Whittingham  
Malissa Wicker  
Lisa Wielgus



Claranca Wilson  
Nina Wisch  
Brian Woermbka  
Erin Wornhoff  
Melinda Wortinger  
Stacy Wright



Christopher Yocum  
Jenny Zalinski  
Sara Zieba  
Richard Zimmerman  
Scott Zugel



**Q :** *What one thing would you like to accomplish before you die?*

**A :** "I'd like to get out of Lowell."

Beth Anderson

"I want to fly in the space shuttle."

Jennifer Heniff

"I want to be the President of the U.S."

Matt Hayden

"I'd like to teach Bill Herochik how to drive."

Keith Hefner

"I want to climb the Empire State Building."

Phil Vinson

# Freshmen

# Under

Tenth Period:

*End in sight*

## Homeroom:

Get  
Ready!

Isn't it funny how you can always tell a freshmen homeroom? It's 8:00 A.M. and almost every one of them is in there while at 8:14 A.M., the rest of the school scurries into their homerooms.

Coming to the high school, freshmen have a lot of new things to get used to, one of them being homeroom.

"It gives you a chance to do your homework," said Christa Ilko.

While some used homeroom wisely, others just found it a time to get in a little napping before the day started.

Brian Vance and Donald May had the same opinion when it came to homeroom.

"It is a waste of time," they said in unison.

However they use it, the freshmen might as well get used to it — they have three more years of homeroom ahead of them.

### Waste Of time

For most freshmen, study seems like a waste of time

Smile, You're On Candid Camera!  
Caught in the act, Jennifer O'Brien can only look guilty.

### Time Out!

The five minute break is welcomed by Sammy Stinnen.

To some students, the whole day is waiting for the end, but for some, the end of the day brings new ideas and experiences they can't wait to discover. With six classes a day, many picked their last hour class as best.

"I like English because it is

easy," said Donald May.

Christa Ilko finds her joy in a foreign language. "The reason I like Spanish is because we always goof around and have fun," she said.

You see, no matter what the others think, there is more to school than just waiting for the bell!



# Construction

**3:30  
GONE!**

## LUNCH—

*Break that refreshes*

You rush to your locker, throw your books in, and run to the long line. Hungrily you await your turn, only to find that they're serving — GOD NO! — LIVER FOR LUNCH! I'm sure we've all had similar nightmares.

Eric Kuiper expressed his concern about the lasagna.

"It tastes like Alpo dog food," he decided.

Other foods that brought comments ranged from "funny tasting" hamburgers to distress about the chili boats.

"I don't like the chili boats because the beans look like dead roaches," said Chadd Artur.

Maybe Rob Jordan best explained it by saying, "Gee, I don't like any of it."

Defined by LHS. /stad-e/ noun. 1: boring. 2: freshmen torture method.

Thoughtfully put aside for studying, study hall is seldom used for that.

Instead, it has become a half hour of skillful note passing and carefully hidden sleeping. The class of '91 has its own ideas of "studying."

Mike Krueger spends the hour "staring at the walls."

Scott Barnhart said, "I dream of being a professional skateboarder."

And two brave frosh, Mike Piatt and Kenny Bachorski, admitted to using study — for studying!

The highlight of our school day — 3:30 P.M. The bell rings and hundreds of relieved students rush to their lockers and escape in various ways and directions. For upperclassmen, it's usually pulling out the keys. For the freshmen, it's a different story; they must enjoy yet another tribulation — the bus. Due to the riders' attitudes, the drivers often take the brunt of their criticism.

"She's a witch from the Wizard of OZ," said Jackie Palmer.

Bus drivers were also described as "Bozo," "Fuzz Ball," and "Freddy Krueger."

But more often, freshmen realize the dedication and friendliness the drivers possess.

However, like it or not, the freshmen of today still have three years of tomorrow yet to go. So, until they have keys to their own cars, they'll have to struggle with the humiliation of riding the bus.

## Construction Ahead!

Creating is a way for Larry Mehling to enjoy school.

[illegible]

Christine Abenath  
Traci Adama  
Darlene Adamski  
Jamie Anderson  
Erika Ard  
Timothy Arlet



Chadd Arthur  
Kelly Aabury  
Amy Atterbury  
Jeffery Austgen  
Dawn Ayres  
Kenneth Bachoraki



Daniel Balla  
Scott Barnhart  
Krieta Barta  
Michael Basham  
Tammy Batzek  
Melissa Bean



Jennifer Beckrich  
Jeremy Benton  
Patricia Berg  
Jay Bibich  
Melanie Bielefeld  
Matthew Biernat



Kristyne Biggs  
Brian Blackman  
Michael Blink  
Michael Bochart  
Joseph Bochnicka  
Julie Borggren



Katherine Boyle  
Andrea Bozak  
Virgil Bradley  
Beth Brechler  
Holly Bright  
Jeffery Brindley



Ethan Brown  
Gergory Brown  
Jason Brownfield  
Miaake Bruna  
William Burdette  
Kim Burns



Kriaty Cacini  
Greg Campbell  
James Carlson  
Vernon Childress  
Malissa Clemans  
Mychelle Cole



Valarie Cole  
Steve Conner  
Marcie Cook  
Ricky Cormican  
Michael Cornell  
David Corning



**Q:** *If I ran the school, I would . . .*

**A:** "Give 10 minutes between classes instead of just five minutes."

Missy Hayden



Christopher Cox  
Michael Cox  
James Crago  
Kelly Crane  
Phillp Cromer  
Meg Crone

Brian Cullins  
Jeffery Cunningham  
Anthony Curry  
Jim Curry  
Lisa Curtis  
Bridgette Cwik

Matthew DeLoera  
Rene Delpozo  
Dan Demick  
Joe Derr  
Thomas Dewell  
Lisa Dillon

Brian Dixon  
Ralph Drinski  
Rochell Dulin  
Jeffery Easto  
Chad Edmonds  
Sherri Ericksen

Abigail Eskridge  
Adam Ewert  
Garret Faverty  
Robert Feddeler  
Randy Fisher  
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Brandie Fortner  
Beverly Fox  
Jeffery Frahm  
Bryan Fuller  
Ryan Fuller  
Timothy Garling



Dawn Goetz  
Sarah Goldman  
Donald Gorbali  
Thomas Govert  
Wendy Grabek  
Kevin Graham



Brandy Gregar  
Melissa Grugel  
Paula Gushee  
Dominic Guttillo  
Amy Hall  
Dawn Hall



Jennifer Hammond  
Kelly Hansen  
Edward Hardesty  
Melissa Hayden  
Chuck Heath  
Kelly Hendersen



Harrison Hendricks  
Eric Hernandez  
Jody Herr  
Bobby Jo Hesh  
John Holmes  
Susan Hood



Heather Hoyt  
Edna Hudak  
Lennie Hudak  
Kimberly Hufnagel  
Jason Hughes  
Daniel Hurat



Troy Huseman  
Christa Ilko  
Scott Irwin  
Sean Jared  
Paula Jasinski  
Michael Jensen



**Q:** *How does it feel to be in high school now ?*

**A:** "It feels lonely and every day there is something different."

Kim Burns



Paul Jillson  
Jori Johnson  
Robert Jordan  
Stefanie Justice  
Nicholaa Kafantaria  
Michael Kalvaitis

Dawn Karsten  
Kimberlee Keizer  
David Keuhs  
Katharine Klimasara  
Michele Klotz  
Michael Krueger

George Kuebler  
Jaason Kuiper  
Bernadette Labuda  
Patricia Lagacy  
Tamara Lamken  
Beth Laumeyer

Brett Lewis  
Mark Lindemer  
Gregory Linman  
Leslie Lis  
Brian Lonardi  
Michael Loveless

Carrie Luchene  
David Ludlow  
George Lutgen  
Jason Martin  
Matthew Matson  
Donald May

Larissa Mazurane  
Pamela McCormick  
Michael McCullough  
Craig McLean  
Mendy McLean  
Kimberly McWilliams

Larry Mehling  
Amber Michallick  
Dennis Michiels  
Aimee Mielczarek  
Scott Mills  
Anthony Millaap

Stephanie Millsap  
Archie Mitchell  
Joseph Mitsch  
Sam Mlynarczyk  
Anthony Molden  
Tanya Morris

Matthew Muha  
Margaret Nichols  
Aaron Nietzel  
Jennifer O'Brien  
Jacqueline Palmer  
Sharon Parker

Stephanie Parks  
Rannie Pavich  
Brodrick Pelham  
Pam Pannington  
Michael Platt  
Chad Pinnegar



Kallya Piskoty  
Marcy Pleyer  
Kallia Popplawall  
Bridgett Rankin  
Christopher Read  
Mindy Ridgeway



Mark Riepe  
Jack Rizzo  
Jacqualyn Rogers  
Stephen Rogers  
Thomas Rosinko  
Kelly Ross



Paul Rumback  
Dannis Rush  
Julee Sampias  
Joel Sankowski  
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Kiley Trainor  
Brian Vance  
Karin Watson  
Lorrie Watt





Kevin Weaver  
Richard Wegner  
Justin Weller  
Jonathon Wendt  
Theress Wesselhoft  
Steven Wheeler

Dawn White  
Joshua White  
Troy White  
Tamra Wiggins  
Stacy Wilson  
Kenneth Wismiller

Mark Woglemuth  
Christine Wright  
Shannon Wright  
Tracy Zagrovich  
Daniel Zander  
Douglas Zatorski

Gregory Zieba  
Tammy Zweck

**Q:** *What's the best thing about being a freshman?*

**A:** "There being more sports to choose from and knowing you are one year closer to graduation."

Valerie Cole

"Feeling older and there's more freedom."

Brandie Fortner



# Babies

## Teachers become parents

They say there's always room for one more at a round table. Hopefully, that's true for a round school too considering the number of births recorded by staff members this year.

The LHS family first grew by one with the addition of Nicholas Ciochina, born to drama teacher Mrs. Ciochina and her husband in December.

In March, Mrs. Rollins, special education teacher, and her husband welcomed Jonathan, their first child.

By the end of March, Mr. and Mrs. Magley broke the trend and became the parents of a girl, Whitney. Since Mr. Magley teaches math here while Mrs. Magley teaches English, their new arrival should probably count twice.

The school year was almost over but the baby boom wasn't. In May, Mrs. Andershock brought her son Nicholas into the world. The school year ended in June with no more births and a score of three boys and one girl.

While it wasn't time to rename the school Lowell Maternity Hospital, you can't deny that this wasn't a productive year. It looked like the faculty was working on job security for the future.

## Subs replace those on leave

"Check the attendance sheet. Is she here? Great! Free day! There's a sub!"

Those words were heard often this past year. With four teachers on maternity leave, you almost needed a program to be sure who was permanent and who wasn't.

Every day there are one or two regular teachers absent but rarely has there been such a supply of long-term subs.

In the English department alone, two "permanent" subs, Ms. Blaney and Ms. Hartwell took over for Mrs. Ciochina and Mrs. Magley while they left to have their babies. These two subs were later joined by Mrs. Frankenberger for Mrs. Rollins and Mrs. Pflueghoft for Mrs. An-

dershock in the art classes.

Not really substitutes, but still temporary replacements were the two student teachers assigned to Lowell. Mrs. Mills' Spanish classes were taken over by Ms. Socci from Ball State. She not only taught classes but she also became involved in extra-curricular events.

While Mr. Dhonua was filling in as Dean, Mr. Lentz, from Indiana Northwest, assumed his classroom duties as part of his student teaching experience. After completing his assignment, Lentz was later replaced with another sub.

"Check the attendance sheet. Is she here? Great! I almost forgot what she looks like!"

At her "baby shower," it was questionable as to who was really going to add another person to the population.

By December, Mrs. Ciochina and Mr. Cameron shared the same profile shapes.

# on Board

## LHS loses familiar faces

While some staff members were adding to the general population, others were leaving the scene in some way or another to make way for new faces.

This spring, Mr. Wornhoff, Dean of Students, left his job after seven years to sell insurance. His career saw him as teacher, coach, AD and Dean, but the lure of the business world drew him to wear another title.

However, LHS didn't let him leave without a refreshing dunk in the pool by his "fans." Mr. Dhonau, science teacher, stepped into the position to complete the school year.

The end of the year brought news of two more faculty departures. Sergeant Gayfield decided to retire after 21 years in the service and 15 years of teaching.

A sad surprise was the resigna-

tion of Mrs. Ford, English teacher, effective at the end of the year. She will join her husband in Indianapolis and continue her teaching career there.

"Out with the old; in with the new," is the key to progress but there didn't seem to be much happy progress when the "old" going out left behind only fond memories of good people.



Sitting amidst well-known faculty faces, Ms. Blaney (third from left) is welcomed by Mrs. Thurner, Mrs. Meyers, Mrs. Riggle and Mrs. Lonardi.

Assigned to Mrs. Mills, Ms. Socci, student teacher, passes out homework and dinner to her class during a cultural "fiesta."

Smiling, Mr. Wornhoff emerges from his farewell dunking to begin a new career in business selling insurance.

Lowell couldn't let Mr. Wornhoff leave without a proper send-off in the school pool.



**Sally Allen**—Spanish, French. **John Anderson**—Math, Science. **Philip Barlowe**—English. **Randy Bays**—Science. **Omer Beeching**—Science.



**Karen Brownell**—Home Ec. **Jerry Cameron**—Tech Ed. **Rosemary Carey**—English, Journalism. **Nancy Carter**—French. **Debra Clochlin**—English, Drama, Speech



**Phyllis Cunningham**—Business. **Mary Cusick**—English, Merit. **Jeff Dhonau**—Science. **Claudia Ford**—English. **Carl Gayfield**—Aerospace



**Kent Hess**—Math, Computer Programming. **Margaret Hurt**—Soc. Studies. **William Kalbac**—Tech. Ed. **Michael Kamanaroff**—Soc. Studies. **James Kane**—Tech. Ed.



**Robert Kussy**—Tech. Ed. **Stephen Leonard**—Business, PE. **Fran Lonardi**—Soc. Studies. **Kirk McQuilston**—Math. **Sue McQuilston**—Science



**Michael Magley**—Math. **Wendy Magley**—English. **Rita Michalik**—Learning Disabled. **Michael Milakovic**—Tech. Ed. **Nancy Mills**—Spanish.



**Sherry Myers**—English. **Charles Naumowich**—Soc. Studies. **Kathleen Nelson**—Business. **Patricia Nemeth**—Business. **Rebecca Osborn**—Music





Lawrence Owunga—Math.  
Ward Price—Soc. Studies.  
Thomas Renn—PE. Nancy  
Reyes— Business Marilyn  
Riggle—English.



Benjamin Rineheart—Aero-  
space. Thomas Sufana—  
Art. Robert Thomas—Tech.  
Ed. Pamela Thurner—  
Science, Math. Peter  
Weiland— Math.



William Weiland—Science

**Q:** *What changes have you seen at LHS since you've been working here?*

**A:** "There was more of a work ethic when I was here."

Mr. Anderson

"Overall, the students' behavioral attitudes are better, but they're getting a little lazy in school."

Mr. Kamanaroff

# Information Please!

**I**nformation, please! That's what the following pages provide — information about you and your town, Lowell. The most important elements of this yearbook are the people who are the subjects of the pictures and the stories. Over 1,200 people are identified in these pages and there are many more who are parts of background crowds who go unnamed. These are the people who not only make a yearbook interesting but they also make the school work everyday, all year. These pages tell who LHS really is.

This section also reveals where these people come from — a rural town with a strong heritage. The local businesses who advertise here rely on the people listed to survive, so it's quite natural that the two groups should be combined. One group needs the other.

Where are you? Where are you from? Where are you going? Read the signs — these pages hold the answers!

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The view out of town on Commercial Avenue shows just some of the businesses which support LHS.



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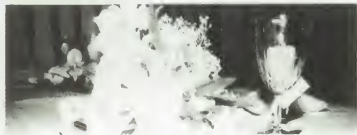
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# Dedication



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It takes all parts working efficiently to produce a yearbook just like a car. But in the end, our "car" had to limp in with only two parts still working.

As first time staffers, we have come to realize that a yearbook can't be made with just a few hard-working individuals. So we write this dedication to the "working parts."

To Ms. Carey, we thank you for developing our skills and expanding our freedom. We can't thank you enough for picking up the pieces this summer.

Dr. Luekens, thanks for not taking away our freedom of press!

To Mr. Sufana, thank you for your creativity and talent in designing the cover.

Mrs. Sampson, thanks for your record books! To the rest of the secretaries, thanks for identifying the "unidentifiable" faces!

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We sincerely thank Marlene from the Lowell Tribune for sharing. You made our job so much easier.

To George, thanks for your advice and smiles.

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Special thanks go to Beth and Pat for making the light at the end of the tunnel brighter.

Most of all, thanks to the students of LHS for making this year something to write about.





For a job well done, senior Jenny Mathias shares her joy and smile with the camera.

After the hard work of washing cars, Tammy Kinsey wishes she could go "cruisin'" in this clean convertible.



The cars line up; the cardinal and black car cruises into position, and with a squealing of tires, the line of cars takes off. The crowd cheers, "Go Devils!" as the air fills with smoke and the stands start to empty, unleashing an endless flood of fans. Seconds later, the cardinal and black car glides across the finish line, first in all respects.

Our engine was racing — there was no turning back. And for us, it was our turn to prove that the challenges could be met. From a Sectional victory to an arson incident, Lowell High School met the challenges, proving the right to compete against the best.

Firsts were made as the titles of Valedictorian and Salutatorian were reinstated; another first was Mr. Sufana directing the spring musical, TINTYPES, the first "Ciochina-less" production in over nine years of shows. An unusual first became a new job for science teacher Mr. Dhonau when Mr. Wornhoff stepped down as Dean of Students.

Sports were lifted high as the community rallied behind our basketball teams to rock the small community of Lowell on to victory. In the final hours of the Boys' and Girls' Sectional Basketball Championship games, victories and dreams were lost in near-miss performances, but the sports year was won as the community convened to support every team — winners or losers. The student body and community were rewarded when the Varsity Baseball Team brought home a Sectional title.

The cardinal and black car moves to the winner's circle, gathering applause and recognition as it goes. The track empties and the race soon becomes just a hazy memory. Next year will be time for another race — another chance to go "CRUISIN' THRU!"

*Sarah Langmaid*

# CRUISIN' THRU '88





The year is over but we did more than  
just look at the street signs and "cruise  
through" it!











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PASSING  
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